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AZERBAIJAN

◉ RULE OF LAW PROGRAM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI

Project Description: Assistance in various private sector legal issues, including the review and possible revision of Azerbaijan's NGO law and the creation of bar associations and judges' associations.

Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Legal Advisory Services in Drafting Securities Laws (formerly Establishment of the Baku Stock Exchange)

Funding Agency : EBRD
Executing Agency : State Committee for Securities of Azerbaijan

BANGLADESH

BENEFICIARY PARTICIPATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 2564-BAN)

Funding Agency : The Netherlands Government
(TA administered by ADB)

Executing Agency : Local Government Engineering Department of the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

Amount : US\$7,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) the development of a master plan for the establishment of Water Management Associations (WMAs) including preparation of standard sample WMA by-laws; and (ii) the formation of WMAs as cooperative societies.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2002)

SUPPORT FOR THE ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY (T.A. No. 3129-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Power Cell/Ministry of Energy & Mineral Resources
Bhavan 6, Bangladesh Secretariat
Dhaka 1208
Fax: (8802) 414060

Amount : US\$900,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of the Energy Regulatory Authority. This includes (i) review of existing legislation and regulation; (ii) preparation of draft framework for regulations, drafting of key regulations, licenses, and codes, including grid, distribution, planning, industrial and competitive tendering codes; and (iii) training for lawyers of sector executing agencies in the understanding and application of new regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – December 2002)

CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS REGION DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT STUDY (T.A. No. 3328-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board
c/o Bangladesh Resident Mission
BSL Office Complex, 2nd Floor
Sheraton Hotel Annex, 1 Minto Road, Ramn
Dhaka-1000
Fax: (8802) 933-4012

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The TA will assist in (i) the identification of legal issues and constraints to development activities in the region, including the progress in implementing the peace accord of 1997; and (ii) the examination of any remaining land disputes and their impact on the region's overall development activities, and reflect the findings in the proposed regional plan.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – June 2002)

CORPORATIZATION OF THE ASHUGANJ POWER STATION (T.A. No. 3343-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources
Government of Bangladesh Secretariat
Dhaka-1000
Fax: (8802) 865079

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the preparation of all necessary legal instruments which will include the drafting of power purchase agreement between the Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) and the Ashuganj Power Station (APS) for sale of power from APS, and the purchase of gas by APS from the gas company.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – January 2003)

ORGANIZATIONAL REFORM OF BANGLADESH RAILWAY, PHASE III (T.A. No. 3491-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Bangladesh Railway
Rail Bhavan, Abdul Ghani Road
Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
Fax: (8802) 45642330

Amount : US\$900,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to the Government to pass the new legislation required to (i) confirm the reforms already approved through resolution of Bangladesh Railway (BR) specifically the division of powers and authority to the Government, Bangladesh Railway Authority, and the director general of BR; (ii) introduce the new regulatory and institutional framework for rail concessions as per Government recommendations; and (iii) establish the Bangladesh Railway Corporate Entity as a statutory corporation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion November 2003)

CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION AND SELECTED CAPITAL MARKET INSTITUTIONS (T.A. No. 3533-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission of Bangladesh
Jiban Birma Tower
10, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000
Fax: (8802) 9563721

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) review and amendment of laws and regulations pertinent to the operation of public companies and fund management; (ii) training on legal aspects of corporate governance, transactions in securities and management, and investment of funds in the capital market.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–May 2003)

✳CORPORATIZATION OF THE DHAKA ELECTRIC SUPPLY AUTHORITY

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Dhaka Electric Supply Authority (DESA)
Biddut Bhabon (2nd Floor)
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Ramna, Dhaka-1000
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Fax: (8802) 9563520

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the corporatization of DESA, particularly legal work necessary for transfer of assets and liabilities from DESA to a new corporatized entity.

Project Status : Proposal

✳CORPORATIZATION OF THE WEST ZONE DISTRIBUTION OPERATIONS OF THE BANGLADESH POWER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (T.A. No. 3801-BAN)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB)

Amount : US\$900,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the corporatization of BPDB, particularly the drafting of the power purchase agreement between BPDB and the new company for sale of power from BPDB to it.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2003)

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JUVENILE JUSTICE PROJECT

Funding Agency : UNICEF

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs
Government of Bangladesh, Dhaka

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: Assistance to review laws relating to juvenile justice and improve the implementation of these laws by training and sensitizing key implementors including judges, magistrates, police officers, social workers and personnel in charge of detention centers.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Gopalan Balagopal
Chief, Rights Cluster/CNSP
UNICEF
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STUDY OF THE USE OF THE LEGAL SYSTEM TO COMBAT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

Funding Agency : UNICEF

Executing Agency : Institute of Law and Development
52, Tejkunipara. Tejgaon
Dhaka-1215

Amount : US\$1,850,000

Project Description: Assistance for an in-depth analysis of the legal system related to violence against women by studying a selected number of judicial cases.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Sigma Huda
Institute of Law and Development
Tel: (8802) 9553741

CHILD TRAFFICKING PROJECT

Funding Agencies : UNICEF, ILO

Executing Agency : Ministry of Women and Children's Affairs
Government of Bangladesh, Dhaka

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to enhance the legal competence of enforcement agencies to deal with child trafficking.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Birgithe Lund-Henriksen
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Rights Cluster/CNSP
UNICEF
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JUDICIAL AND LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law (MOL)

Implementing Agency: Supreme Court Registrar's Office

Amount : US\$45,000,000

Project Description: The project aims to: (i) improve the legal and institutional framework through advice regarding the revision/reform of key business laws and regulations; (ii) strengthen alternate dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms and support the promotion and implementation of the Ombudsman Office; (iii) streamline courtroom administration and the court process and strengthen the capacity of MOL, especially in drafting and vetting legislation; (iv) improve human resource development and training of judicial personnel; (v) implement a management information system for the judiciary to improve transparency and efficiency of work; and (vi) build/upgrade physical infrastructure where necessary in the judicial sector.

Project Status : In progress

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PRIVATE SECTOR SUPPORT SERVICES PROJECT (TA FOR THE JUDICIAL AND LEGAL CAPACITY PROJECT)

Funding Agency : Policy and Human Resources Development Fund (Japan)

Executing Agency : The World Bank

Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Law and Justice (MOL), other ministries concerned of the Government of Bangladesh, Supreme Court Registrar, Business Chambers, NGOs, and representatives from the legal profession.

Amount : US\$293,000

Project Description: Diagnostic study for capacity building and reform of the legal and judicial system in Bangladesh in preparation for the Judicial and Legal Capacity Building Project. The study will focus on the issues of: (i) strengthening the legal and regulatory framework through the revision/reform of key business laws and regulations; (ii) strengthening alternate dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms and support for the promotion and implementation of the Ombudsman Office; (iii) improving court administration, streamlining court procedures, and strengthening capacity of MOL, especially in the areas of drafting and vetting; (iv) improving human resource development by way of developing judicial training and legal education; (v) implementing a management information system for the judiciary to improve transparency and efficiency of work; and (vi) building/upgrading physical infrastructure where necessary in the judicial sector.

Project Status : In progress

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CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law (MOL)

Implementing Agencies: MOL, Law Commission, Judicial Administration Training Institute

Amount : US\$312,700

Project Description: Assistance in institutional development/capacity building activities pertaining to the proposed Legal and Judicial Capacity Building Project, focusing on: (i) developing the institutional capacity needed to begin the work of modernizing business laws; (ii) initiating measures towards the training of judges in business-related legal disciplines; and (iii) introducing urgently needed measures to give ready access to the business community to legal information.

Project Status : In progress

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COMMERCIAL BANK RESTRUCTURING PROJECT

Funding Agency : Policy and Human Resources Development Fund (Japan)

Executing Agency : The World Bank

Implementing Agencies: Bangladesh Bank, Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$963,000

Project Description: Assistance to improve the environment for loan recovery through the creation of new laws (Money Loan Court Act, Debt Recovery Agencies Act, Deposit Insurance Ordinance), review of the existing laws, and amendment of the following laws: (a) Bangladesh Bank Order; (b) Bangladesh Bank (Nationalization) Order; (c) Banking Companies Act; (d) Transfer of Property Act; (e) Evidence Act; (f) Negotiable Instruments Act; and (g) Deposit Insurance Ordinance.

Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECTS**Capacity Building of the Securities & Exchange Commission and Stock Exchanges**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities & Exchange Commission

Promoting Good Urban Governance in Dhaka

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Dhaka City Corporation

Land Administration Reform

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Land

Establishment of a Framework for Sustainable Microfinance

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

Kalni-Kushivara River Improvement

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Bangladesh Water Development Board

Second Small-Scale Water Resources Development Sector

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Local Government Engineering Department

Pension and Insurance Sector

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

BHUTAN**ROAD PLANNING & MANAGEMENT STRENGTHENING
(T.A. No. 3470-BHU)****Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agency** : Department of Roads
Ministry of Communications
Thimpu
Fax: (975 2) 325913**Amount** : US\$954,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the compilation, analysis and consolidation of legislation related to the road sector, and in the preparation of draft legislation for a proposed road act to cover road and road transport in the country.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion – March 2003)**❖ INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR (T.A. No. 3790-BHU)****Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agency** : Department of Employment and Labor
P.O. Box 1036
Doebum Lam
Thimpu, Bhutan
Contact: Mr. Pema Wangda
Fax: 975-2-326731**Amount** : US\$200,000**Project Description:** Assistance in (i) developing a comprehensive labor administration policy; (ii) strengthening the capacity of the Department of Employment and Labor (DEL) and its staff to become the lead agency in labor administration in Bhutan; and (iii) developing the legal framework necessary for DEL to fulfill its mandate.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion – November 2002)**Project Contact** : Ms. Caroline Vandenabeele
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Tel: (632) 632-4963
E-mail: cvandenabeele@adb.org**COMPLETED PROJECT****Upgrading the Royal Insurance Corporation of Bhutan****Funding Agency** : ADB**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Trade and Industry**CAMBODIA****IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND LEGISLATION
(T.A. No. 3577-CAM)****Funding Agency** : ADB**Executing Agencies:** Ministry of Justice

Ministry of Land Management, Urban
Planning and Construction**Amount** : US\$600,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) putting a legal system and mechanism in place that will resolve the existing uncertainty, disputes and chaos with respect to land ownership and related rights to land; (ii) strengthening the capacity of the judiciary, legal community and technical staff responsible for implementing the law, and thereby contribute to restoring the confidence of the general public in the legal system; and (iii) raising public awareness of the law.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion - August 2003)**Project Contact** : Ms. Eveline Fischer
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Tel: (632) 632-4906
E-mail: efischer@adb.org**❖ PREPARING THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM (T.A. No. 3695-CAM)****Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agencies:** Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery
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Phnom Penh, Cambodia
Contact: Dr. Chan Tong Yves,
Secretary of State
Fax: (855-23) 215-321/211-411**Amount** : US\$600,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in (i) identification and examination of important legal and regulatory issues relevant to the program, including the issues on land legislation and titling, agricultural inputs, genetically modified crops, and decentralization of agricultural service delivery systems; and (ii) incorporation in the matrix of the program appropriate legal and regulatory measures for resolving such issues.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion – September 2002)

❖IMPROVING LEGAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE FINANCIAL SECTOR

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Commerce

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of key legal infrastructure for banking and commercial activities such as secured transactions system and negotiable instruments law.

Project Status : Proposal

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STRENGTHENING OF JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : French Embassy
Cooperation Agency, Phnom Penh
Tel: (855) 23 430 032

Executing Agencies: Presidency of the Council of Ministers and Ministry of Justice of Cambodia with the following French agencies and institutions:
-Ministère de la Justice
-Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature (BORDEAUX)
-Conseil d'Etat
-Ecole Nationale des Greffes
-Barreau de Lyon
-Avocats sans frontières France
-Parlement français
-Conseil supérieur du Notariat français

Amount : First stage – Euros 2,000,000 (excluding staff expenses). Open to multilateral support)

Second stage – to be discussed in 2003

Project Description: The project aims at restoring the effectiveness of the Judiciary in the Kingdom of Cambodia with a specific emphasis on the protection of Fundamental Rights protection during pre-trial as well as trial phases. The components of the project include:

- Technical assistance to the Ministry of Justice
- The setting up of a school for the training of judges and prosecutors: the Royal School of the Magistracy (R.S.M.)
- The setting up of a school for the training of the Judicial Police
- Substantive assistance to the Cambodian Bar with a view to create a specific school for the training of lawyers
- Drafting of the Criminal Code and of the Code of Criminal Procedure
- Technical assistance to various law-related institutions such as the Parliament and the Supreme Council of the Magistracy

-The drafting of a legal glossary in Khmer, French and English

Project Status : -Financial agreement signed on 10 May 2001
-Appointment of legal adviser to the Minister of Justice on 1 July 2001
-Duration of first phase: 3 years

Project Contact : Judge Michel Bonnier
Adviser to the Minister of Justice
Project Leader
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COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND JAPAN

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Supreme Court, Japan

Research & Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice, Japan

Japan Federation of Bar Associations

Ministry of Justice, Cambodia

Project Description: Assistance in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws including training of Cambodian lawmakers on the Japanese legal framework through seminars in Japan.

Project Status : In progress

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ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY PROJECT (Project No. CMB/94/103)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Norway

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment and other line ministries
H.E. Dr. Mok Mareth
Phnom Penh
Tel: (855-23) 427-884

Amount : US\$2,987,400 (UNDP)
US\$106,000 (Norway)

Project Description: Assistance to key government bodies, decision-makers, educators and the general public to improve the national capacity for sustainable environmental and natural resource management. Assistance also includes advice regarding draft legislation, regulations and inter-ministerial agreements to implement environmental responsibilities in a coherent manner.

Project Status : In progress

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (Cr. No. 2664 KH)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Economy and Finance

Amount : SDR 11,600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) strengthening institutional capacity for controlling public expenditures by developing a legal and regulatory framework for public accounting; (ii) strengthening institutional capacity for managing foreign debt by developing the legal framework; (iii) private sector development; (iv) preparation and implementation of master plan for drafting and revision of priority economic and financial laws and regulations; (v) legal training for judges, lawyers, civil servants and other professionals; and (vi) establishing an automated system for publication on a regular basis in Khmer, French and English of the Official Journal, higher court decisions, jurisprudence and doctrinal writings, and trademark gazette.

Project Status : In progress

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RULE OF LAW DEVELOPMENT: LABOR LAW EDUCATION OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport

Amount : US\$470,700

Project Description: Assistance in the development of the rule of law through labor law education and dissemination including: (i) the

production of training materials on Cambodia's labor laws and regulations with a special emphasis on women, children, and the disabled; (ii) the provision of training to ministry officials, labor inspectors, judges, vocational training center managers, employers, women workers, disabled workers, and students in these laws and regulations; (iii) training of future trainers; and (iv) the development of a pilot labor dispute resolution program.

Project Status : In progress

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★BIODIVERSITY AND PROTECTED AREA PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$1,400,000

Project Description (legal component): The project includes the carrying out of legal and regulatory studies relating to the establishment and management of protected areas.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date: 31 December 2003)

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★FOREST CONCESSION MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL PILOT PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$3,600,000

Project Description (legal component): The project includes the strengthening of Cambodia's capacity on concession regulation and control, and forest crime monitoring and prevention.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date: 31 December 2003)

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❖SECOND SOCIAL FUND PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$17,900,000

Project Description (legal component): The project includes the strengthening of legal capacity through the provision of consultants' services.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date: 31 December 2002)

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Developing Capacity in Audit and Inspectorate Function

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Economy and Finance

Financial Sector Development Program

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Bank of Cambodia

CBA/BAKC Cooperative Program

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch

Executing Agencies: Canadian Bar Association
Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia

CHINA, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF

CORPORATIZATION, LEASING AND SECURITIZATION IN THE ROAD SECTOR (T.A. No. 2952-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Planning Commission
38 Yuetannanjie
Beijing, PRC
Fax: (8610) 6850-1854

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing legislation, policy guidelines and Stock Exchange regulations and identifying needed changes to promote corporatization, leasing and securitization in the road sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion-November 2002)

STRENGTHENING OF THE LEGAL INFORMATION SYSTEM (T.A. No. 3000-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Bureau of Legislative Affairs
State Council
Mail Box 1750, Beijing 100017
Fax: (8610) 6309-7699

Amount : US\$630,000

Project Description: Assistance in strengthening the institutional capacity of the Bureau of Legislative Affairs to enable it to establish and operate effectively a legal information system disseminating official foreign language translations of legal information.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion- November 2002)

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POWER SECTOR RESTRUCTURING (T.A. No. 2917-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Power Corporation
137 Fuyou St., Beijing 100031
Fax: (8610) 6601-6077

Amount : US\$804,700

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in examining the regulatory regime with a view to identifying the changes in government policies and the legal framework required to improve the regulatory regime, make it more independent, and give effect to the competitive environment.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion-June 2002)

TA CLUSTER FOR PROMOTION OF CLEAN TECHNOLOGY SUBPROJECT 3: LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT FOR CLEAN TECHNOLOGY (T.A. No. 3079-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National People's Congress
No. 23, Xijiaominxiang
Beijing 100805
Fax: (8610) 6309-8439

Amount : US\$352,000

Project Description: The TA will review and analyze related laws and regulation that might affect the introduction of clean technologies, including those relating to labor, bankruptcy, investment, capital and profit repatriation, and outline required modifications.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion-December 2002)

DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMIC LAWS (T.A. No. 3279-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agencies: Legislative Affairs Commission
Great Hall of the People
Beijing
Fax: (8610) 6309-6644

Office of Legislative Affairs
Mail Box 1750
Beijing 100017
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Amount : US\$1,400,000

Project Description: Assistance in the preparation of (i) amendment to the Company Law; (ii) revision of the Bankruptcy Law; (iii) trust law; (iv) regulations on closedown of, and bankruptcy procedure for, financial institutions; (v) social security law; (vi) laws on registration of commercial and industrial organizations; and (vii) law on administrative licensing.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2003)

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BANKING SUPERVISION AND LIQUIDITY RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (T.A. No. 3098-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : People's Bank of China
32 Cheng Fang St.
Beijing 100800
Fax: (8610) 6606-7509

Amount : US\$825,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing legal and regulatory framework in the context of the objectives of the TA; and (ii) proposals for changes in the legal and regulatory framework and practices in the context of the Shanghai regional and head office of the People's Bank of China.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion-June 2002)

CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE CAPITAL MARKETS' REGULATORY SYSTEM (T.A. No. 3304-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : China Securities Regulatory Commission
Jin Rong Street, XI Change District
Beijing 100032
Fax: (8610) 6621-0206

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing the legal framework for the capital markets, identifying deficiencies, and in preparing recommendations for the establishment of an integrated and sound capital market legal system.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2002)

CAPACITY BUILDING IN TRAFFIC SAFETY, PLANNING, AND MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3341-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Public Security

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing legislation, acts, policy guidelines, and other rules and regulations relevant to road traffic and the prosecution patterns; and (ii) identifying areas in the current legal system, especially regarding citations and prosecutions where revisions are needed.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

SONGHUA RIVER FLOOD WETLAND AND BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3376-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Public Security

Amount : US\$1,545,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the review of current statutory frameworks for Songhua River basin management (including provisions relating to land use and prevention of encroachment into unsafe areas); and (ii) the formulation of recommendations at the provincial and regional levels for legislative and regulatory reforms in accordance with the Government's water sector reform agenda.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2002)

JIANGSU HIGHWAY BUILD-OPERATE-TRANSFER (T.A. No. 3569-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Jiangsu Provincial Communications Department
No. 16 Zhenzhou Road
Nanjing, Jiangsu Province
Fax: (8625) 220-1945

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the evaluation of BOT projects, including the legal aspects; and (ii) the enactment of legislation for BOT and other private sector modalities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

TRANSJURISDICTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3588-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Environment Protection Administration
115 Nanxiaojie, Xizhimennei
Beijing 100035

Amount : US\$2,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) operationalizing trans-jurisdictional provisions of the revised Water Pollution Prevention and Control Law (the Law) of 1996, using the Yellow River Basin as a case study; (ii) developing local legislation, rules, and regulations implementing the trans-jurisdictional provision of the Law; (iii) training legislative drafters of provinces on comparative practices and procedures used in other countries to remove potential sources of conflicts, resolution of conflicts, appeals, and resolution; and

(iv) identifying the need for a national law to integrate various dimensions of river basin environmental management.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2004)

FORMULATION OF THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT LAW (T.A. No. 3631-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: National People's Congress
Office of Economic Legislative Affairs
Financial and Economic Committee
23 Xijiaminxiang St., Xi Cheng District
Beijing 100805
Fax: (8610) 6409-7452

Amount : US\$578,000

Project Description: Assistance in the drafting of the government procurement law relating to the process and methods of procurement such as funding source, administering and monitoring functions, etc. for submission to the National Committee of the National People's Congress of PRC by the end of 2002.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2003)

WTO MEMBERSHIP AND FOREIGN TRADE LAW REFORM (T.A. No. 3672-PRC)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation

Office of the State Council

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description: The objectives are to: (i) assist the Government in developing a legislative and legal system compatible with the WTO principles, rules and obligations; (ii) strengthen its ability to exercise the rights accorded under WTO and its regulatory capability facing a more competitive international and domestic market after the entry of WTO; and (iii) assist its efforts to provide legal information of and clarification of the foreign trade and investment-related laws and regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2003)

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❖ **OPTIMIZING INITIATIVES TO COMBAT
DESERTIFICATION OF GANSU PROVINCE
(T.A. No. 3631-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Gansu Provincial Forestry Department

Amount : US\$610,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in identifying legal constraints to optimum application of proven technologies for combating desertification in Gansu Province.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2003)

❖ **NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR URBAN WASTEWATER
TARIFFS AND MANAGEMENT STUDY (T.A. No. 3749-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Construction
No. 9 Sanlihe Road
Beijing 100835
Contact: Li Zhe, Deputy Director
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Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include review and assessment of present legal and regulatory frameworks for the management of wastewater in urban areas at the central and provincial levels.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2003)

❖ **BANKING LAW AND REGULATION**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: People's Bank of China
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Xicheng District, Beijing
Contact: Ms. Chen Xiaoyun
Director General, Legal Dept.
Fax: (8610) 6601-6472

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description: The main objective is to establish the principle and institute a framework for future legislative work in the financial sector, which will build upon experiences of other countries with advance financial sector.

Project Status : Proposal

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❖ **STRATEGIC PLANNING STUDY FOR THE PREPARATION
OF THE YELLOW RIVER LAW (T.A. No. 3708-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Water Resources
Contact: Zhang Ximing
Deputy Division Chief
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Amount : US\$970,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the preparation of the Yellow River Law which aims for comprehensive basin management in a specific basin.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – August 2002)

❖ **PRO-POOR URBAN HEATING TARIFF REFORMS
(T.A. No. 3673-PRC)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Construction

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the formulation of pro-poor national heating tariff guidelines, particularly institutional and legal arrangements for tariff setting and review process.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – August 2003)

LEGAL AID AND LEGAL LITERACY

Funding Agency : The Asia Foundation

Amount : US\$710,000

Project Description: The multi-year project will provide grants and other forms of technical assistance to the Ministry of Justice, the National Legal Aid Center, selected universities and non-profit organizations to establish and improve legal aid services and popular legal education activities. Support is being extended for the establishment and initial operations of sub-provincial legal aid centers in poor regions; for the expansion and improvement of university-based legal aid services; for the extension of legal aid services to a wider constituency such as migrant women workers; and for media-based legal literacy programs and the wider dissemination of legal information to the general public.

Project Status : In progress (October 1999 - September 2002)

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ASSESSMENT OF RECENT ADMINISTRATIVE AND ECONOMIC LEGISLATION IN SHANGHAI ECONOMIC ZONES

Funding Agency : Australia-China Council
Australian Department of Foreign Affairs
and Trade

Executing Agency : CAPLUS

Project Description: The aim of the project is to examine the legislative process in the Shanghai Government and the legal status of the regulations passed and policies formulated by the local government with a view to eliminating any inconsistency with national laws. The project will focus on administrative and economic legislation concerning foreign investment in the Shanghai economic zones.

Project Status : In progress

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INITIATIVE IN JUDICIAL REFORM

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US\$2,900,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to strengthen the judiciary and to encourage thinking in China about changes that would make the judiciary a more professional, effective and respected institution. The project focuses on four elements: (i) exploration of ideas for reform and experimentation with such reforms in Chinese courts; (ii) development of new approaches to judges' training that emphasize development of professional values, examination of courts' dispute resolution roles, and legal skills-building rather than study of substantive law; (iii) development of the judicial profession; and (iv) research by Chinese groups to understand better how Chinese courts and judges actually function.

Project Status : In progress

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INITIATIVE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM REFORM

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to reform the criminal justice system to strengthen the protection of individual rights, heighten the importance of procedures, redefine the roles of prosecutors, judges and lawyers, and improve the caliber and professionalism of prosecutors.

Project Status : In progress

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INITIATIVE IN "LAW-IN-ACTION"

Funding Agency : Ford Foundation

Amount : US\$1,100,000

Project Description: The initiative supports a number of projects to transform law in China from an abstract concept with limited impact on actions of either state officials or individuals, to a concrete tool that can be used by individuals to realize their rights and check abuse of state power, and by the state to govern with more accountability, fairness and transparency. In addition to building legal consciousness, the projects seek to give lawyers, students and citizens practical experience in using laws and legal processes to protect individual rights, to further social justice, and to identify barriers in the implementation of laws.

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TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICE ON COMMERCIAL LAWS AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION (MOFTEC), PN 96.2139.2-001.00

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ

Amount : EURO 2,045,168 (First Phase)
October 1997 – September 2000

EURO 1,278,230 (Second Phase)
September 2000 – December 2004

Project Description: Training and advisory service on commercial laws at the Treaty and Law Department of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation focuses on the reform of commercial laws. The main focus lies with training courses of between 1 week to 6 months focusing on implementation methods consistent with the rule of law. For this purpose, case studies as well as moot courts are included in the curriculae, which are mainly handled according to Chinese law with comparative reference to German law. Moreover, symposia and delegations are organized in order to research on comparative legal topics, and scholarships in international study programs are provided for experts involved in the project.

Project Status : First Phase - completed
Second Phase - in progress (September 2000 - December 2004)

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ADVISORY SERVICE TO THE FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEE (FEC) OF THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS (NPC), PN 96.2140.0-001.00

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ

Amount : EURO 2,045,169 (First Phase)
October 1997 – September 2000

EURO 2,556,459 (Second Phase)
September 2000 – December 2004

Project Description: Assistance includes: (i) advisory service to the Financial and Economic Committee on the reform of economic legislation (particularly laws on foreign exchange, investment funds, securities, bankruptcy, small and medium enterprises, company law, trust law, bidding, public procurement, and state budget); (ii) training courses on specific topics of commercial law; and (iii) international study programs for experts involved in the drafting process of economic legislation.

Project Status : First Phase - completed
Second Phase - in progress (September 2000 - December 2004)

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CHINESE-GERMAN COOPERATION ON THE MAKING OF LEGISLATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAWS (LAC), PN 98.2095.2

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ GmbH

Amount : EURO 1,250,000 - First Phase
(August 2000 – January 2003)

Second Phase - proposed
(February 2003 – July 2005)

Project Description: Advisory service on administrative laws at the Legislative Affairs Commission (LAC) of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress focuses on the reform of administrative laws in the People's Republic of China.

Project Status : First Phase – in progress
(August 2000 – January 2003)

Second Phase – proposed
(February 2003 – July 2005)

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ECONOMIC LAW REFORM PROJECT (CR.No. 2654 CHA)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : SDR 6,900,000

Project Description (legal component): The project objective is to assist the PRC in improving the legal framework to support economic reform by: (i) strengthening the training methods, curricula and opportunities for law teachers, legal practitioners and legal, judicial and other government personnel in the theory and practice of the new legal framework; and (ii) strengthening the key legal institutions responsible for legislation and the implementation of economic laws. The project consists of three parts: (a) sub-projects to support preparation of legislation; (b) sub-projects to support legal training; and (c) institutional support.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2003)

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SICHUAN GAS DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION PROJECT (Loan No. 3716 CHA)

Funding Agencies : World Bank (IBRD Loan)

Amount : US\$175,450,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the formulation of a restructuring action plan encompassing, inter alia, the development of legal, regulatory and contractual regime for onshore oil and gas activities, and the corporatization and commercialization of oil and gas enterprises; and (ii) carrying out the said restructuring action plan.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2003)

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ADVISORY SERVICE TO THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL SECURITY (MoLaSS), PN 00.2118.8

Funding Agency : Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany

Executing Agency : GTZ GmbH

Amount : EURO 4,500,000
(April 1994 – December 2002)

Project Description: Advisory service to the Ministry of Labour and Social Security for the drafting of new laws in the field of labour and social security.

Project Status : In progress (April 1994 – December 2002)
Probably extend until June 2003

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PROMOTION OF REFUGEE LAW PROGRAMME

Funding Agency : UNHCR

Executing Agency : CICETE
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Tel: (8610) 6204-9988
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Amount : US\$72,550

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in providing training to officials who will be involved in drafting refugee legislation and in implementing asylum legislation.

Project Status : In progress (1997-2002)

CHONGGING INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION CONTROL AND REFORM PROJECT (L4045)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IBRD Loan)**Amount** : US\$3,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes the development and implementation of action plans on enforcement of environmental regulations governing, inter alia, environmental registration, environmental impact assessments and their implementation, environmental monitoring of air quality, compliance with air quality, compliance with air quality standards, and emission levies.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – December 2002)

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EAST CHINA (JIANGSU) POWER TRANSMISSION PROJECT (L4303)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IBRD Loan)**Amount** : US\$250,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes a component on Institutional Development and Training aimed at enhancing transmission planning capability, including legal capability, to meet the needs of the new structure of the power market in China.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – September 2004)

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FINANCIAL SECTOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (C2423)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IDA Loan)**Amount** : US\$42,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the improvement of bank examination and supervision processes and procedures, design and implementation of prudential regulations, and asset reviews of specialized banks.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – September 2002)

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HENAN (QINBEI) THERMAL POWER PROJECT (L3980)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IDA Loan)**Amount** : US\$440,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes assistance in the appropriate implementation of power sector and power enterprise reforms in Henan Province and accelerate the transformation of Electric Power of Henan into a legally and financially autonomous and business-oriented company. One of its activities includes eliminating regulatory functions through their transfer to appropriate governmental authorities.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – June 2003)

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HUNAN POWER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (L4350)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IBRD Loan)**Amount** : US\$300,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the managerial capacity of the Hunan Electric Power Company through training of selected staff in management, finance, law, power sector regulation, human resources and related subject areas.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – December 2004)

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LABOR MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (C2800; L3967)**Funding Agency** : World Bank (IDA Loan)**Amount** : US\$13,400,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project aims at assisting in reforming labor policies and legislation to facilitate the development of efficient labor markets and promote labor mobility. The Project

includes a component on National Legislative and Policy Reforms and Institutional Development consisting of the preparation of national legislation to facilitate the development of an efficient labor market, including laws and regulations in the areas of employment promotion, unemployment insurance, employment services, vocational training and rural labor mobility.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – June 2002)

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◎LIAONING TRANSPORTATION PROJECT (L4453)

Funding Agency : World Bank (IBRD Loan)

Amount : US\$150,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes the carrying out of studies in the areas of parking policy and management; motor vehicle emission control strategy; busway design and public transport operation policies and regulations; road maintenance planning, traffic accident analysis and traffic signal control system.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – December 2004)

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◎SEVENTH HIGHWAY (L3897)

Funding Agency : World Bank (IBRD Loan)

Amount : US\$400,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes a component on Policy Reforms aimed at carrying out of a program to rationalize the structure of railway operations, consisting of the preparation of measures to further enhance the suitability of the legal and regulatory framework for the governance of railway enterprises in a market economy.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – June 2003)

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★TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (L3847)

Funding Agency : World Bank (IBRD Loan)

Amount : US\$200,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The objectives of the Project are to assist in the reform of its technology policies and strengthening of the related institutional and regulatory framework so as to increase industrial productivity and develop the market for technology.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – December 2002)

Project Contacts : Legal Department
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★YUNNAN ENVIRONMENT PROJECT (C2892; L4055)

Funding Agency : World Bank (IBRD Loan)

Amount : US\$125,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes assistance in strengthening policies, regulatory framework and institutional arrangements for pollution control and municipal water, wastewater, solid waste and night soil management.

Project Status : In progress (Closing Date – December 2002)

Project Contacts : Legal Department
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Regulatory Framework for the Engagement of Consultants

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : State Science and Technology Commission
Of China

Pension Reform

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Labor

Capacity Building of the Insurance Sector Regulatory System

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : China Insurance Regulatory Commission

Yellow River Flood Management Sector

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Water Resources

Institutional Strengthening of the Cinda Management Company

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : China Cinda Asset Management Corporation

Strengthening Urban Solid Waste Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Construction

Administrative Law Reform

Funding Agency : The Asia Foundation

Canada-China Senior Judges Training Project

Funding Agency : CIDA
Executing Agency : University of Montreal, Canada

CBA/ACLA Cooperative Program

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch
Executing Agencies: Canadian Bar Association
The All China Lawyers Association

Rural Official Training Center (CPR/96/503)

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agency : CICETE

Implementation of Trade Efficiency in China Customs

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agency : CICETE

Strengthening the Capacity of China's Legal Aid System

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agency : CICETE

Urban Resident Community Development

Funding Agency : UNDP
Executing Agency : CICETE

COOK ISLANDS

★PREPARING THE OUTER ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (T.A. No. 3795-COO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Financial and Economic Management

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in finalizing the institutional structure and legal framework of the proposed program, particularly the drafting of the trust fund agreement between the central Government and the island councils, and empowering legislation and any associate regulations for the establishment of a trust fund.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – August 2003)

Project Contact : Mr. Luigi Bodda
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EAST TIMOR

TRANSPORT SECTOR RESTORATION (T.A. No. 3401-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the transport sector legislation in order to identify areas for simplification, modification, and deregulation to establish a purposeful regulatory framework for the sector; and (ii) drafting of legislation for the consideration of the UNTAET and the East Timorese civil society.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

**CAPACITY BUILDING FOR GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC
SECTOR MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3412-ETM)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in
East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing legal and regulatory frameworks for transparent ground rules for the functioning of the private sector, including an investment code, property and commercial law, and procedures for the leasing of vacant state land and facilities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CAPACITY
IMPROVEMENT (T.A. No. 3501-ETM)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in
East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing the environmental and natural resources laws, legislation, and regulations currently enforced in East Timor, and provision of related recommendations considering the conditions in East Timor.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – July 2002)

**REHABILITATION OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
SECTOR - PHASE II (T.A. No. 3504-ETM)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in
East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in setting up of a legal and regulatory framework for the telecommunications sector in which the public and/or private sector will operate.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - September 2002)

**STRENGTHENING THE MICROFINANCE POLICY AND
LEGAL FRAMEWORK (T.A. No. 3556-ETM)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in
East Timor (UNTAET)
Fax: (1212) 963-2180

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing legislation relating to banking and financial institution operations with a view to drafting a comprehensive enabling legislation for microfinance institutions, including banks and credit unions.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

✶TRANSPORT SECTOR IMPROVEMENT (T.A. 3731-ETM)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : United Nations Transitional Administration in
East Timor (UNTAET)
Contact: Department of Infrastructure
Fax: (670390) 322-007/8

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the legal and operational establishment of effective and appropriately sized operations of (i) a port authority, (ii) an airport authority, and (iii) a road administration. The scope will include a review of the legal, regulatory, and policy proposals for the transport sectors covering roads, ports, and aviation subsectors, finalization of these proposals, and support to their implementation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2002)

FIJI

WOMEN'S PLAN OF ACTION (T.A. No. 3360-FIJ)**Funding Agency** : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Women and Culture
 GPO Box 14068
 Suva
 Fax: (679) 303-829

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to (i) review laws, policies, and regulations relating to women's employment and economic rights; (ii) prepare and draft more appropriate laws, policies, regulations that reflect the current status and role of women in the economy; and (iii) work with the Law Reform Commission and the Ministry of Labor and Industrial Relations to identify and amend discriminatory legislation, policies, and regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

INDIA

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AT THE STATE LEVEL (T.A. No. 3423-IND)**Funding Agency** : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment and Forest
 Bikaner House, Annexe-5
 Shahjahan Road
 New Delhi 110011
 Fax: (9111) 436-3967

Amount : US\$3,620,000

Project Description (legal component): The scope includes (i) review of environmental laws, rules and regulations, and assessment of the state's viability to innovate the development and promulgation of environment laws, standards, and regulations within the framework of the requirements of the constitution and the central government; (ii) identification and review of industrial, trade, labor, and investment laws which unintentionally promote and protect polluting industries; and (iii) review of banking and commercial laws related to financing of cleaner production technologies in the private and public sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3365-IND)**Funding Agency** : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
 5th Floor, B-Wing, Janath Bhawan
 Janpath, New Delhi 110 001
 Fax: (9111) 301-2477

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of the national and international laws and policies related to land acquisition and resettlement in India and provide guidance as to how the differing interests may be rationalized to carry out social assessments and guide resettlement planning and implementation; (ii) review of the legal practice undertaken by the private sector in development; and (iii) development of appropriate training materials and guidelines for this sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2002)

PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION (T.A. No. 3380-IND)**Funding Agency** : ADB

Executing Agency : Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
 B-9 Qutab Institutional Area
 Katwaria Sarai, Delhi 11006
 Fax: (9111) 656-0086

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the review of contract and company laws developed by the Government for private sector participation in the transmission subsector, and recommend changes that may be necessary; and (ii) the establishment of a new independent power transmission company to allow private sector participation in the establishment of transmission lines and in the implementation of the Meramundali-Jeypore 400 kV transmission line project.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

**REORGANIZATION PLAN FOR GUJARAT ELECTRICITY
(T.A. No. 3573-IND)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: (1) Gujarat Electricity Board
(2) Government of Gujarat

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing the legal framework to implement the reorganization of Gujarat Electricity Board.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

**SUPPORT TO THE GUJARAT ELECTRICITY
REGULATORY COMMISSION (T.A. No. 3575-IND)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (GERC)

Amount : US\$450,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting a tariff and regulatory policy valid for the next five years; adaptation of the draft regulations in other states of India; and (ii) training key staff of GERC in administering the regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2003)

**SUPPORTING FISCAL REFORMS IN KERALA
(T.A. No. 3576-IND)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Finance Department
Department of Finance
Government of Kerala
Kerala, India
Fax: (0471) 326990

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting a bill on the fiscal responsibility and administrative orders to go with it; and (ii) amending the model VAT law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2002)

**☛MADHYA PRADESH INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES
(T.A. No. 3715-IND)**

Funding Agency : Government of United Kingdom
(administered by ADB)

Executing Agency: Water Resource Department
Mantralaya, Bhopal - 462001
Fax: 0755-550372

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the assessment of legal and regulatory framework governing integrated water resources management.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2003)

**☛ENHANCING THE CORPORATE FINANCE CAPABILITY OF
NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY OF INDIA
(T.A. No. 3724-IND)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: National Highways Authority of India

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include review of the current legal framework associated with ownership of the national highways.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - February 2003)

**☛PREPARING THE KERALA POWER SECTOR
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (T.A. No. 3734-IND)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Power, Government of Kerala

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include review of existing legislation and rules and regulations applicable to the power sector, and drafting of a suitable reform bill incorporating regulatory aspects, tariff reforms, and sector restructuring, taking into account similar reform acts already adopted in other states in India.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

❖ ENHANCING PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AT THE STATE LEVEL (T.A. No. 3791-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Infrastructure Authority in Andhra Pradesh
Ministry of Finance in Gujarat
Finance Department in Karnataka
Finance Department in Madhya Pradesh

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of existing legislation on private sector participation in infrastructure development; (ii) drafting amendments to existing legislation to provide specific assurances to the private sector of the state government's commitment to private sector participation; and (iii) where no legislation is in place, recommend the suitability of having one and provide draft legislation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

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❖ PREPARING THE MADHYA PRADESH STATE ROAD SECTOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3751-IND)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Government of Madhya Pradesh
Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India
Fax: 91 755 556522

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of an overall plan for reengineering the state road management system including (i) review of the functions and responsibilities of a highway authority and state road corporation, together with the possible legal status of these organizations; and (ii) review of laws and regulations to be amended or promulgated, together with the major elements of amendments and promulgation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

❖ SUPPORT FOR REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR SECURED TRANSACTIONS

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: The project aims to improve the legal framework for secured transactions and to support the establishment and bringing into operation of a national, centralized and computerized registration system.

Project Status : Proposal

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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ORISSA

Funding Agency : DFID

Executing Agency: Department of Power
Government of Orissa, India

Amount : £12,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting new legislation for the restructuring and reform of the State Electricity Board and power sector in the State of Orissa, India; (ii) implementing a new independent regulatory regime involving the establishment of a Regulatory Commission and a new system of licensing for transmission and bulk and retail supply of electricity; (iii) introducing competition into the power generation sector; (iv) drafting model power purchase agreements; (v) introducing private sector skills into the distribution functions through an interim distribution management agreement as a means of accelerating long term privatization; and (vi) drafting of day-to-day operating codes and procedures.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Shouvik Datta
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Energy Sector Group
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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF HARYANA

Funding Agency : Department for International Development (DFID)

Executing Agency: Department of Power
Government of Haryana, India

Amount : £15,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting legislation for the restructuring and reform of the Haryana State Electricity Board (HSEB) and power sector in the State of Haryana; (ii) implementing a new independent regulatory regime involving the

establishment of a regulatory commission and a new system of licensing for transmission and bulk supply of electricity, introducing competition in the power generation sector; and (iii) the corporatization of the new transmission and distribution companies and the transfer of staff from the HSEB to these new companies.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Ian Alexander
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ELECTRICITY REFORM PROGRAMME IN STATE OF ANDHRA

Funding Agency : Department for International Development (DFID)

Executing Agency: Department of Power
Government of Andhra Pradesh, India

Amount : £28,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to the Government of Andhra Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB) in the corporatization of the new transmission and distribution companies and in the transfer of staff from the APSEB to these new companies.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Ian Alexander
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ANDHRA PRADESH ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING PROGRAMME

Funding Agencies : DFID/World Bank

Executing Agencies: (1) Commercial Taxes Department
(2) Department of Public Enterprise,
Government of Andhra Pradesh

Amount : £5,700,000

Project Description (legal component): DFID provides technical assistance to two components of the World Bank funded APERP. These are: (i) assisting the introduction of VAT in Andhra Pradesh and (ii) assisting in public enterprise reform.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – end of 2003)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Support for Public Sector Undertaking Reform and Social Safety Net in Madhya Pradesh

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Finance Department

Reform of the Private Pension and Provident Funds System and Employees' Provident Fund Organization

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs

Development of Secondary Debt Market

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Economic Affairs

INDONESIA

IMPLEMENTATION OF A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE GAS INDUSTRY (T.A. No. 2933-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Directorate General for Oil and Gas
Ministry of Mines and Energy
Jl. Abdul Mulu, Jakarta 10160
Fax: (6221) 386 2142

Amount : US\$951,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in implementing recommendations made under an earlier ADB-funded TA in respect of a regulatory framework for the gas industry, and advice to the new gas regulatory body in its initial operations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2003)

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INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF SECONDARY MORTGAGE FACILITY

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
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Building B, Jakarta 10710
Fax: (6221) 384 8049

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the review of the legal, administrative, and procedural impediments to the registration, change of ownership, and perfection of security over land that would impede the effective operation of the proposed Secondary Mortgage Facility Company (PT SMF), or the future introduction of mortgage-backed securities; (ii) the review of the legal environment relating to securitization in Indonesia to support securitization, including the need for a securitization law; and (iii) the preparation of articles of association for PT SMF, and a draft shareholder agreement for potential founding shareholders in PT SMF in order to facilitate their evaluation and investment in the institution.

Project Status : Proposal

SOE PRIVATIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING II (T.A. No. 3714-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
Jl. Lapangan Banteng Timur 2-4
Jakarta 10710
Fax: (6221) 381-2859

Amount : US\$2,600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in corporate restructuring including financial as well as operational restructuring of state-owned enterprises utilizing the available instruments of corporate governance, with the objective of reducing their financial burden on the government by increasing their operational and financial efficiency, thereby enhancing their divestment.

Project Status : In progress (Estimated completion date – March 2003)

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ANTICORRUPTION COMMISSION (T.A. No. 3381-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Director General of Law and Legislation

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: Assistance in the establishment of an anticorruption commission. The TA comprises three components: (i) public dissemination and consultation on the nature and objectives of

the commission and the Corruption Law; (ii) comparative studies of good practices for establishing and implementing the commission; and (iii) institutional design for the establishment of the commission.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - June 2002)

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GOVERNANCE AUDIT OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTION SERVICE (T.A. No. 3472-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Attorney General's Office of Indonesia
Attorney General's Office
Jl. Sultan Hasanuddin No. 1
Kebayoran Baru
Jakarta Selatan, Indonesia
Fax: (6221) 739-3889

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description: The objective is to undertake a governance audit of the organization and operational policies and procedures of the Public Prosecution Service to improve its effectiveness and efficiency.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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DEVELOPMENT OF A FINANCIAL SERVICES SUPERVISORY INSTITUTION (T.A. No. 3620-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from the Asian Currency Crisis Support Facility)

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Financial Institutions
Ministry of Finance
Gedung A, 3rd Floor
Jl. Dr. Wahidin No. 1
Jakarta Pusat
Fax: (6221) 384-7434

Amount : US\$1,700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting the enabling legislation for the creation of the financial services supervisory institution (FSSI); (ii) reviewing all legislation and regulations related to different financial regulators and markets, including company law; and (iii) developing proposals for the amendment of various laws to ensure the establishment and effective operation of the FSSI.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

❖CAPACITY BUILDING OF MSRI INSPECTORATE GENERAL IN COMBATING CORRUPTION (T.A. No.3842-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Settlements & Regional
Infrastructure (MSRI)
Jln. RadanPatah 1 No. 1
Lantai VII, Kebayoran Baru
Jakarta 12110
Contact: Pak Junius Hutabarat,
Inspector General
Fax: (6221) 7279-7851

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project will assist in (i) assessing the legal standing of the Inspector General's Office and its ability to investigate and prosecute alleged cases of fraud and corruption; and (ii) identifying inconsistencies/conflicts in Government and MSRI laws, regulations and procedures that inhibit transparency and good governance in the implementation of the MSRI projects.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion- March 2003)

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❖RURAL MICROFINANCE (T.A. No. 3810-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture
Jl. Harsono Rm No. 3, Ragunan
Jakarta Selatan, 12550
Contact: Mr. Yandri Ali
Fax: (6221) 781-8654

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include review and analysis of the legal framework related to microfinance institutions to determine the needs and requirements for strengthening provision of microfinancial services.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

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Resources Division, ECRD
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❖PREPARING A GAS SECTOR DEVELOPMENT PLAN (T.A. No. 3671-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Oil and Gas
Gedung MIGAS
6,8,10 Jalan Abdul Muis
Jakarta Pusat 10160
Contact: Dr. Rachmat Sudibjo,
Director General

Amount : US\$490,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of a legal and regulatory framework for the exploration and production of coalbed methane.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2003)

❖REGIONAL POWER TRANSMISSION AND COMPETITIVE MARKET DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3807-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Perusahaan Umum Listrik Negara
Jl. Trunojoyo Blok M 1/135
Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta 12160
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Director, Planning
Fax: (6221) 739-6873

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of existing regulations for selection of independent power producers and related regulations (tax, company establishment, license, etc.), and make recommendations if changes are necessary; (ii) preparation of a selection and procurement process that is transparent and offers the least opportunity for corrupt practices, including a general draft of a comprehensive solicitation document; and (iii) preparation of

suitable online power purchase agreements that can be used for different types of proposed power projects.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2003)

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❖PARTICIPATORY IRRIGATION SECTOR (T.A. No. 3793-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Water Resources
Development
Jl. Pattimuna No. 20
Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta
Contact: Dr. Ir. Moch. Basuki Hadimujono,
Director
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Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project will (i) review the legal status of water users associations and existing indigenous social organizations in irrigation vis-à-vis their roles and responsibilities in the operation and maintenance of public irrigation systems and water/crop management, and (ii) identify their shortfalls and deficiencies.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

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Resources Division, SERD
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❖PRIVATIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES (T.A. No. 3714-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from ACCSF)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
Jl. Lapangan Banteng Timur 2-4
Jakarta 10710
Contact: Dr. Mas Midjaja, Director
Fax: (6221) 381-2859

Amount : US\$2,600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the restructuring and privatization of state-owned enterprises (SOEs) to include evaluation of legal impediments to SOE privatization and recommendations for structuring transactions to comply with laws and

regulations, particularly legislation regarding securities transactions and regulations issued by Capital Market Executive Agency.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

❖REFORM OF WATER ENTERPRISES (T.A. No. 3782-INO)

Funding Agency : Government of France
(administered by ADB)

Executing Agency : Directorate General of Urban and Rural
Development
Jl. Pattimura No. 20
Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta
Contact: Budiman Arif, Director General
Fax: (6221) 727 96155

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include review of existing guidelines, evaluation of past experience, and development of guidelines and model agreements for negotiating and implementing mergers and other forms of cooperation and collaboration among neighboring water supply enterprises to create stronger regional water entities from those that are operationally weak and lacking in resources.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

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❖SUPPORTING COUNTRY FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY (T.A. No. 3764-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
State Financial Accounting Agency BAKUN
Jl. Lapangan Banteng Timur 2-4
Jakarta

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include (i) review of the legal consistency of systems and procedures, guidelines, and revised public accounting standards; and (ii) drafting of government implementing regulations and guidelines for budgeting, treasury, and accounting reforms.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

Project Contact : Mr. Paolo Spantigati
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Resources Division, SERD
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❶REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY AND WASTEWATER ENTERPRISES (T.A. No. 3761-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from ACCSF)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Settlements & Regional
Infrastructure
Jl. Raden Patah I/1
Kebayoran Baru, Jakarta Selatan
Contact: Sumaryanto Widayatin
Director, CIID
Tel: (6221) 726 8203

Amount : US\$790,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include (i) review of the legal framework for urban planning and management, eminent domain, land readjustment, tax increment financing and other tools, and enforcement of same; and (ii) recommendations on improvements to the regulatory framework for the water supply and wastewater sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - May 2003)

Project Contact : Ms. Karen Decker
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Governance, Finance, and Trade Division,
ECD
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❷STRENGTHENING BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (T.A. No. 3829-INO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from ACCSF)

Executing Agency : Directorate for SME & Cooperative
Empowerment, BAPPENAS

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include (i) identifying key regulations that hinder the development of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) at the central and local levels; (ii) preparation of an action plan for improving the legal and regulatory environment for SMEs at the regional level by recommending streamlining and modification of regulations, licensing and registration requirements, and possible elimination of unnecessary procedures; (iii) preparation of selected regulatory case studies to discuss with central, provincial, and local governments the proposed changes in regulations

and licenses; (iv) supervision of dissemination of findings for policy reform, and establishment of one-stop shops for small licenses.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2004)

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SERD
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ECONOMIC LAW AND IMPROVED PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS (ELIPS PROJECT)

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Legislation

Amount : US\$15,000,000

Project Description: The ELIPS Project consists of four components: Competition Law, Secured Transactions, Bankruptcy, and Arbitration.

1. Competition Law - The project will provide expert assistance in reviewing, analyzing and commenting on draft legislation relating to competition and trade policy. The project will also provide assistance to develop regulations/rules necessary to implement a new competition law and for designing an agency or institution to regulate competitive activity and oversee enforcement efforts and mechanisms. Work is being closely coordinated with World Bank and other donors.

2. Secured Transactions - Technical support will be provided to further revise the legal framework for secured transactions taking into account other areas of the law such as banking and bankruptcy to create a cohesive legal structure in support of commercial lending practices. The tasks necessary to support this effort will include reviewing, analyzing and commenting on existing draft laws and providing assistance in drafting and revising laws/regulations to support a registry system. This work is being closely coordinated with the Asian Development Bank which, among other tasks, is focusing on providing assistance on the design and implementation of a registry system.

3. Bankruptcy - To support the Government's efforts to draft and enact a new comprehensive bankruptcy law, the project will provide technical assistance to review, analyze and comment on existing legislation.

4. Arbitration - In conjunction with the Government's efforts to finalize and enact an arbitration/alternate dispute resolution law this year, the project will provide assistance to review, analyze and comment on existing draft laws, and for assistance in drafting, if needed. Additionally, resources will be provided to advise on discrete issues related to implementation of the arbitration law, such as enforcement of foreign arbitration awards.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY (AID-497-0385)

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

Amount : US\$109,843

Project Description (legal component): Support of capacity building activities for the Indonesian Center for Environmental Law (ICEL). The project is designed to enhance ICEL's institutional development, develop policies, systems and skills in alternate methods of environmental and labor dispute resolution, enhance the quality of justice, judicial accountability, and access to legal information through publication of court decisions.

Project Status : In progress

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Jakarta Selatan 12160
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PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CENTER (P3C) PROJECT (PCE-1-800-97-00015-00)

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency (BAPPENAS)

Amount : US\$432,032

Project Description: Assistance to the Government in implementing Kappres 7/1998 which is a new cross-sectoral regulation on public-private partnership in infrastructure which includes the preparation of operating manuals for the regulation, the establishment of a cross-sectoral regulatory framework, and the creation of a cross-sectoral dispute resolution mechanism.

Project Status : In progress

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LAND ADMINISTRATION PROJECT (Loan No. 3792 IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$80,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Legal TA in connection with the drafting of new regulations on land registration.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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RAILWAY EFFICIENCY PROJECT (Loan 4106-IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Executing Agencies: Government of Indonesia
State Railway Corporation (PERUMKA)

Amount : US\$105,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of and advice on reform of the railway legal and regulatory framework with a view to promoting privatization.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – September 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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INTENSIFIED IODINE DEFICIENCY CONTROL PROJECT (Loan 4125-IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Executing Agency: Government of Indonesia

Amount : US\$28,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of existing regulations relating to salt and iodized salt, including research on appropriate controls for the product and minimum standards for salt and iodized salt in Indonesia.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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CORAL REEF REHABILITATION AND MANAGEMENT PROJECT (Loan 2837)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (WBTF)

Executing Agency: Indonesian Institute of Sciences (LIPI)

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal framework for coral reef management.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – October 2002)

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BANKING REFORM ASSISTANCE PROJECT (Loan No. 4255-IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency: Bank Indonesia, Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$20,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Technical assistance for diagnosis and recommendation of reforms in the financial sector.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (Loan No. 4244-IND)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Tourism, Posts, and Telecommunications

Amount : US\$34,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the Borrower's enabling legal and regulatory framework, including the preparation of laws and regulations and the carrying out of policy studies and strengthening the skills of staff responsible for the development and implementation of the legal and regulatory framework.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2003)

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BEPEKA AUDIT MODERNIZATION PROJECT (TF025933)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Executing Agency: National Auditing Board (BEPEKA)

Amount : US\$16,400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal and regulatory framework on government auditing and governance, and training of lawyers.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – December 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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✶CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (L4448)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$54,500,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes a component on regulatory, legal and administrative processes to design and carry out a program to streamline approval processes and

other procedures to enable the Regulatory Facilitation Group to facilitate all approvals required to implement a Corporate Restructuring Agreement, including the preparation of appropriate legislation.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – December 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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✪ **NUSA TENGGARA AGRICULTURAL AREA DEVELOPMENT (L3984)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$27,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes a study of the impact of cattle trade regulations on farmer income.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – September 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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✪ **PROVINCIAL HEALTH PROJECT (C3381)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$28,600,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes the strengthening of the policy and regulatory framework for health services, including the establishment of a health council and a health care accreditation agency at the provincial level.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2006)

Project Contact : Ms. Karin Nordlander
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✪ **TELECOMMUNICATION SECTOR MODERNIZATION (L3904)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$325,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes the formulation and implementation of a sectoral legal and regulatory framework to further promote efficient private sector participation in the telecommunications sector.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Regulatory Reform of the Insurance Industry

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Directorate General for Financial Institutions

Corporate Governance and Enterprise Restructuring

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Empowerment of State-Owned Enterprises

Capacity Building for Decentralization of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Home Affairs

Urban Sector Development in a Decentralized Environment

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency

Corporate Governance Reform

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Development Planning Agency

KAZAKHSTAN

DEEPENING OF AGRICULTURAL REFORMS AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS (T.A. No. 3541-KAZ)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture
49 Abai Street
Astana, Kazakhstan.
Fax: (3172) 326-819

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) promoting a wider understanding within Kazakhstan's rural communities of the new legal and institutional environment for agriculture; and (ii) refinement of legislation related, among others, to farm and land ownership, secured lending, agricultural bankruptcy, the legal rights of farms and small businesses, and the formation of voluntary rural associations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

✪ URBAN SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3633-KAZ)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Economy
33 Pobedy Street
Astana 473000
Contact: Mr. Zhaksybek Kuleneev, Minister
Fax: (3172) 117-803

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include review of institutional and legal framework of small and medium enterprises, and development of a policy matrix.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

✪ TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (extension)

Funding Agency : To be advised

Executing Agency: Ministry of Communications

Amount : EUR 364,750

Project Description: The Project will continue to assist the Kazakh authorities in establishing a clear, modern and predictable regulatory framework including the development of universal service and tariff re-balancing policies.

Project Status : Proposal

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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: National Securities Commission

Project Description: Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations, and provision of training, advice and counsel to the National Commission on Securities and securities market participants.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING – FISCAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance

Project Description: Technical assistance in the development of legislation for value added tax, excise tax, corporate income tax and personal income tax and advice on the administration of these and other taxes.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - ACCOUNTING AND AUDIT REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: Main Department for Methodology, Organization and Control of Accounting of the Ministry of Finance

Project Description: Assistance on training in, and the implementation of, internationally accepted accounting and auditing standards as well as training for professional associations and self-regulatory organizations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: ARD/Checchi

Project Description: Assistance to the Ministry of Justice and other government agencies in the development of a system of commercial legislation designed to support private business activity, training the professionals tasked with enforcing the system - lawyers and judges, and training of procurators on economic crime topics. The primary focus is on the protection of property interests, the enforcement of contracts, the protection of creditors' rights and the facilitation of business formation and operation.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - PENSION REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: IMCC

Project Description: Assistance in the development of regulations for the implementation of a new law on pensions, and assistance in the administration of the new pension regime.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - BUDGETARY/TAX REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: KPMG/Barents Group

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the formulation and implementation of economic restructuring policies in the fiscal area by assisting the government in drafting and implementing a new tax code, developing a budget classification system, and working on national and local budget laws for Kazakhstan.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: FSVC

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in establishing a legal basis and regulatory framework for payment operations, real-time gross settlement systems, automated clearing facilities, payment system, risk management, disaster recovery planning and the introduction of payment cards to the market.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: Booz-Allen & Hamilton

Project Description (legal component): USAID assistance focuses on the development of a legal and regulatory environment conducive to free trade and investment in Kazakhstan.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM – TRAINING

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice, State Law University,
Supreme Court, Adilet High Law School,
Association Lawyers of the Business World

Project Description: The third and last component of the Commercial Law Program is the main training support for the other components. It includes training in the United States, Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyz Republic, and is focused primarily on the training of lawyers and judges.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - CUSTOMS LAW

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agencies: Customs Committee, Ministry of Justice,
Agency for Strategic Planning and Reform

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and intellectual property rights; and (ii) establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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❖ COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM – WTO ACCESSION

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agencies: Booz-Allen,
Hamilton, Inc.,
PWC/The Services Group

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in establishing a legal framework for Kazakhstan's WTO accession.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - RULE OF LAW

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: ABA/CEELI

Project Description: USAID promotes a legal environment which is conducive to NGO development by (i) promoting the development of indigenous bar and judicial associations in Kazakhstan and bar association newsletters; and (ii) the creation of law libraries for local lawyers and NGOs involved in the rule of law, human rights, and other civil society areas.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM – NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: ISAR, Counterpart Consortium, NDI

Project Description (legal component): Support NGO participation in the preparations of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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DEMOCRATIC INITIATIVES PROJECT - RULE OF LAW AND LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency: American Bar Association
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480091, Almaty
Tel/Fax: (3272) 624-387
E-mail: chris@ceeli.alma-ata.su

Amount : US\$435,000

Project Description: The objective of the project is to help in the establishment of a viable legal community, including the establishment of an independent organization for the promotion of legal literacy and continuing legal education for Kazakhstan's attorneys and populace, and the general promotion of the status of the legal profession. TA to be provided will cover areas such as establishment of a bar association; development of legal literacy programs for the public and for lawyers; formation of lawyer work groups on current legal reforms and legislative changes; dissemination of legal literature and information; and advice on specific legislation related to legal practice.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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PETROLEUM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Legal TA to enact a petroleum law and a petroleum taxation code.

Project Status : In progress

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LEGAL REFORM PROJECT (KZ-PA-46046) - Loan

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
67 Aiteke Bi
6480091 Almaty
Fax: (3272) 638-431

Amount : US\$15,000,000 (approximately)

Project Description: The project will assist in (i) the improvement of the legal education system; (ii) judicial development, regulatory reform and alternate dispute resolution; (iii) improvement in the technical,

professional and institutional capacity of agencies involved in legal drafting; and (iv) strengthening legal information systems.

Project Status : In progress

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CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Crown Agents

Project Description: Assistance in providing the legislative framework for the civil service of Kazakhstan and in drafting required legislation and statutes.

Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Strengthening Environmental Management

Funding Agency : Government of Finland (administered by ADB)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Environment & Natural Resources

Telecommunications Regulatory Development Programme

Funding Agencies : Taiwan, Japan (administered by EBRD)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Communications

KIRIBATI**OUTER ISLANDS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
(T.A. No. 3593-KIR)****Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Home Affairs and Rural
Development**Amount** : US\$350,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the development of the legal framework for the proposed Outer Islands Trust Fund (OITF) which will provide a useful complementary financing mechanism to the Revenue Equalization Reserve Fund.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion – December 2002)**KOREA****FINANCIAL AND CORPORATE RESTRUCTURING
ASSISTANCE (L4385)****Funding Agency** : The World Bank (IBRD)**Amount** : US\$48,000,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in enhancing the framework for corporate insolvency procedures which includes the preparation of legislation to carry out the recommended reforms of the present system and the provision of training to judges, court officials, insolvency practitioners and selected officials in insolvency issues.**Project Status** : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)**Project Contact** : Ms. Hoi-Chan Nguyen
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Legal Department
Tel: (202) 458-5812
Fax: (202) 522-1590**KYRGYZ REPUBLIC****IMPROVING THE ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR
SKILLS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT
(T.A. No.3553-KGZ)****Funding Agency** : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Labor and Social Protection
215, Tynystanova str.
Bishkek 720000
Fax: (996-312) 221837**Amount** : US\$600,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance to (i) identify, formulate, and advocate appropriate policy and legislative reforms that enable the primary vocational education system to be more responsive to changing labor market requirements.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion - September 2003)**STRENGTHENING CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND
JUDICIAL REFORMS (T.A. No. 3779-KGZ)****Funding Agency** : ADB**Executing Agency** : Office of the Prime Minister
3rd Floor, 106 Chui Avenue
Bishkek 720000
Contact: Mr. Bakyt Kartanbaev
Director, CDC
Fax: (996-312) 661664**Amount** : US\$850,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance include (i) the development of a legal and regulatory framework for corporate governance; and (ii) comprehensive diagnostic assessment of the legal and judicial sector, focusing on alleviating the problems and constraints facing the judiciary.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion - July 2003)**Project Contact** : Mr. Ramesh Subramaniam
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - GENERAL BUSINESS LAW**Funding Agency :** USAID**Executing Agency :** ARD/Cheechi

Project Description: Assistance in the development of a system of commercial legislation designed to support private business activity, focussing on the protection of property interests, the enforcement of contracts, the protection of creditors' rights, the development of clear and transparent bankruptcy procedures, and the facilitation of business formation and operation; and in the area of implementation of commercial laws vital for a free market economy.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - TRADE AND INVESTMENT**Funding Agency :** USAID**Executing Agency :** Booz-Allen & Hamilton

Project Description: Assistance in the development of a legal and regulatory environment conducive to free trade and investment. The primary component of this assistance is the accession to the WTO, which would harmonize Kyrgyz Republic trade and investment regime with international standards and allow the freer flow of goods and services across Kyrgyz Republic borders.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - COMMERCIAL LAW - TRAINING**Funding Agency :** USAID**Executing Agency :** ARD/Cheechi

Project Description: Assistance to reform the Kyrgyz Republic legal and regulatory system by training judges, procurators and attorneys on how to interpret and apply commercial and economic crime legislation. Additionally, assistance to Ministry of Justice personnel to create and activate a public notice filing system for security interests and other liens, and also with developing a comprehensive legal information system for use by all branches of government and the public.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT**Funding Agency :** USAID

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations and provision of legal advice to securities market participants.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - ACCOUNTING TRAINING**Funding Agency :** USAID**Executing Agency :** Carana Corporation

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in: (i) training in, and the implementation of, internationally accepted accounting and auditing standards; and (ii) training for professional associations and self-regulatory organizations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FISCAL REFORM**Funding Agency :** USAID**Executing Agency :** KPMG/Barents Group

Project Description: Assistance to the Ministry of Finance and the Tax Inspectorate to formulate and implement economic restructuring policies in the fiscal area. This includes drafting, revisions and training for the new tax code, extensive technical assistance to create a centralized and automated tax information gathering and reporting system, assistance for forecasting income and overall government planning, and formulation of rationalized budget policies at the national and local levels.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING - FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : FSVC

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to establish a legal basis and regulatory framework for payment operations, establishing real-time gross settlement systems, automated clearing facilities, payment system, risk management, disaster recovery planning and the introduction of payment cards to the market.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Funding Agencies : USAID
ABA/CEELI

Executing Agencies: Counterpart Consortium, ABA/CEELI, NDI

Project Description (legal component): Support NGO participation in the preparation of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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DEMOCRATIC REFORM - JUDICIAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI

Project Description: Assistance in the development of an independent judiciary, a judicial association, lawyers' associations and code of ethics for judges and lawyers.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM - CUSTOMS LAW

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : Booz-Allen & Hamilton

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and intellectual property rights; and (ii) the establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
480091, Almaty, Kazakhstan
Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-612
Fax: (3272) 507-636/696-490

FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL COOPERATION (Project No. 28520)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$239,500

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing banking legislation, accounting standards, auditing procedures and bank supervision.

Project Contact : Legal Department
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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Capacity Building for Corporate Governance and Insolvency Procedures

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Economy, Market Relations and Investment

Corporate Governance and Enterprise Reform Program

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Foreign Trade and Industry

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

**DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE SECURED
TRANSACTIONS LAW AND BANKRUPTCY LAW
(T.A. No. 3154-LAO)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
P.O. Box 8
Vientiane
Fax: (856 21) 414102

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The TA will further the Bank's efforts to develop the financial sector by focusing on two legal areas critical for domestic and foreign investment and secured lending. Under the first part of the TA, implementing regulations for the bankruptcy law will be prepared. The second part of the TA will provide training to students at the Faculty of Law and to practicing lawyers in applying the secured transactions and bankruptcy laws and their implementing regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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**ASSESSING A CONCESSION AGREEMENT FOR THE LAO
PDR COMPONENT OF THE CHIANG RAI TO KUNMING
HIGHWAY (T.A. No. 3396-LAO)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: ADB

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) the review of concession agreements, joint venture agreements, and all relevant background documents, including but not limited to construction contracts, and financing and business documents; and (ii) the assessment and advice on legal issues associated with the Government's wish to take over the shares of the Thai investor, and effectively control the Economic Quadrangle Joint Development Corporation, a joint venture company which will develop an existing road through northern Lao PDR.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

**NAM NGUM RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT
(T.A. No. 3544-LAO)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Water Resources Coordination Committee
Secretariat
Vientiane, Lao PDR
Fax: (856 21) 213472

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing legislation and decrees to support the implementation of the Water Law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - April 2002)

**●PREPARING THE TREE PLANTATION FOR LIVELIHOOD
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3794-LAO)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: National Agriculture and Energy Extension
Agency
P.O. Box 1888
Vientiane, Lao PDR
Contact: Dr. Phet Phomphiphak
Deputy Director General
Fax: (856 21) 732092

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include review of existing legislation to determine whether it enables community empowerment of forest resources management and security of land and forest tenure.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

Project Contact : Mr. Snimer K. Sahni
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Resources Division, SARD
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**●FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
(T.A. No. 3737-LAO)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Bank of the Lao People's Democratic
Republic
Vientiane, Lao PDR
Contact: Mr. Panom Lathouly
Fax: (856 21) 213108

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include (i) review of the legal, judicial, and regulatory framework, process, and court practice for enforcement of creditor's rights, loan recovery, and resolution of bad debts along with proposals to reduce bottlenecks; (ii) review the legal and institutional framework in the area of collateral particularly the existing framework for secured transactions; and (iii) development of a program to build the capacity of the judiciary system in the area of loan recovery, secured transactions, and implementation of the bankruptcy law.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

❶ CAPACITY BUILDING FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT IN ENERGY AND TRANSPORT (T.A. No. 3746-LAO)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency: Science Technology and Environment Agency
Fax: (856 21) 213472

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the establishment of the environmental fund which include (i) advice on any legal constraints on and issues on the establishment of the fund; and (ii) drawing up of a charter and the implementing regulations and guidelines for the proposed fund.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN LAO PDR AND JAPAN

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Research & Training Institute of the
Ministry of Justice, Japan

Nagoya University

Ministry of Justice, Lao PDR

Amount : US\$850,000

Project Description: Assistance in establishing the basic legal infrastructure and in training legal personnel through the explanation of the legal system in Japan. From 2001, in addition to the Ministry of Justice, the Supreme People's Court and the Office of Public Prosecutor General will officially be included in the project.

Project Status : In progress. A one-month seminar in Japan and a one-week seminar in Vientiane per year since 1999.

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STRENGTHENING THE RULE OF LAW IN LAOS- PHASE III

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
Dr. Houy Pholsena
Chief of Cabinet
Vientiane
Tel: (856 21) 414102

Amount : US\$1,300,000

Project Description: The overall objective is to contribute to the strengthening of the rule of law by supporting the development of the court system and legal procedures, and the Ministry of Justice as well as increasing the number of qualified lawyers particularly law students on Masters level in Thailand.

Project Status : In progress (extended to December 2002)

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STRENGTHENING OF THE LEGAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN LAO PDR

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Education/National University
of Lao PDR

Implementing Agency: Umea University

Amount : US\$1,200,000 (approximately)

Project Description: The overall objective of the project is to strengthen the rule of law in Lao PDR, inter alia by increasing the number of qualified jurists in the country. The specific objectives of the project are to improve the teaching, research and administrative capabilities in all aspects at the Faculty of Law. This will be done through curriculum and teaching methodology development and human resource development, including upgrading the capacity of the law teachers in law and English.

Project Status : In progress (estimated completion date – June 2003)

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STRENGTHENING THE JUDICIARY (LAO/99/006)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Sida

Executing Agency: The People's Supreme Court of the Lao PDR

Implementing Agencies : UNDP and the People's Supreme Court

Amount : US\$493,000
Swedish contribution - approximately
US\$100,000

Project Description: Assistance to the Supreme People's Court to strengthen implementation and enforcement through: (i) targeted training for judicial personnel; (ii) improved dissemination of legal materials; and (iii) a strengthened legal framework for enforcement of court decisions.

Project Status : In progress (Estimated completion date – December 2002)

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STRENGTHENING THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR (LAO/99/007)

Funding Agencies : UNDP/Sida/CIDA

Executing Agency: The Office of the Public Prosecutor of the LAO PDR

Implementing Agencies : The Office of the Public Prosecutor and UNDP

Amount : US\$526,000
Swedish contribution – approximately
US\$200,000

Project Description: The objective of the Project is to strengthen the legal knowledge and capacity of legal staff at the Office of the Public Prosecutor to enforce laws and fulfil its responsibilities. This will be done through training for prosecutors and investigators and through the establishment of an information management system.

Project Status : In progress (Estimated completion date – January 2003)

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STRENGTHENING THE FOUNDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULE OF LAW (LAO/99/008)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice of the Lao PDR

Amount : US\$623,064

Project Description: Assistance to the Ministry of Justice in (i) strengthening the foundations of the legal drafting process; (ii) strengthening the system of drafting of laws and regulations to promote more effective implementation; and (iii) improved dissemination of laws and legal information.

Project Status : In progress

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LEGAL FRAMEWORK DEVELOPMENT (IDF Grant)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount : US\$496,000

Project Description: Assistance in developing the Lao legal framework, including (i) formulating a medium-term national legal framework development plan; (ii) assessment of legal training needs of central and provincial law officials and, based on the findings thereof, preparing an action plan for training of such officials; (iii) preparing implementing regulations for priority laws and decrees; (iv) establishing a computerized system for systematic reporting and publication of the decisions of higher courts, and for the gradual development of a Lao legal dictionary and a system of jurisprudence and doctrinal writings; (v) training of law officials through their participation in law school programs and study tours abroad, to strengthen their legal capacities and skills, especially in the areas of economic and financial law, judicial procedures, legal reasoning and analysis, and legal research and drafting methodology; and (vi) conducting local workshops for Ministry of Justice officials and members of the Law Reform Commission and National Assembly Legislative Standing Committee and other senior law officials on *inter alia* (a) selected legal topics related to their duties and responsibilities; and (b) the theory and methodology for monitoring and evaluating the economic and social impact and consequences of the

implementation of certain existing Lao laws, decrees and regulations. Based on these workshops, appropriate course curricula for the Vientiane Law School will be designed.

Project Status : In progress

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Project Status : In progress (Closing date – September 2003)

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Strengthening Social and Environmental Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agencies: Department of Communications
Science Technology and Environment
Ministry of Industry and Handicrafts

★LAND TITLING (C2832)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$14,000,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes a component on Policy and Legal Framework aimed at formulating policy guidelines and related legal regulations and procedures to further develop the Borrower's existing policy and legal framework governing land management and administration matters, and to strengthen the development and implementation of the Borrower's national land titling program.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – September 2003)

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★SOUTHERN PROVINCES RURAL ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT (C3047)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$25,700,000

Project Description (legal component): The Project includes the provision of consultants' services and training in legal, regulatory, technical and planning matters, including provision of such services for purposes of studying and planning future projects.

MALDIVES

STRENGTHENING LEGAL EDUCATION AND JUDICIAL TRAINING (T.A. No. 3389-MLD)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance and Treasury
Ameen Magu, Male 20-03
Republic of Maldives
Fax: (96-0) 324432

Amount : US\$995,000

Project Description: Assistance in improving Maldivian legal education and in improving court practices, procedures and case management.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2003)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS**Capacity Building for the Maldives Customs Services**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Treasury

Information Technology Development

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Treasury

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

COMPLETED PROJECTS**Fisheries Management and Development**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Micronesia Maritime Authority

Improving Access to Laws

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Supreme Court

MONGOLIA

RETRAINING OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS IN A MARKET ECONOMY (T.A. No. 2967-MON)

Funding Agency : ADB**Executing Agency:** Ministry of Justice
Ulaanbaatar 210646
Fax: (976-11) 325-225**Amount :** US\$1,000,000

Project Description: The TA aims to help the Government establish a retraining center in Ulaanbaatar to provide continuing legal education for Government lawyers, judges, prosecutors and other legal professionals. This includes (i) a training of trainers program to help build a team of instructors to teach at the retraining center; and (ii) the

development and delivery of a long-term country-wide legal retraining program which will provide Mongolian lawyers with practical legal skills and knowledge necessary for lawyers working in a market economy.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)**Project Contact :** Mr. Victor L. You
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Office of the General Counsel
Tel: (632) 632-4835
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Funding Agency : ADB**Executing Agency:** Cabinet Secretariat
Strategic Development Division
Ulaanbaatar**Amount :** US\$1,100,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to pilot performance-based administrative reforms within five implementing agencies and to prepare the groundwork for further broadening of the reforms to the remaining parts of the public sector. This includes (i) guidance on the legal implications of the reforms; and (ii) preparation of legal policy guidelines on the governance reforms for Parliament, local governments, and other agencies.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)**CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CADASTRAL SURVEY AND LAND REGISTRATION (T.A. No. 3395-MON)**

Funding Agency : ADB**Executing Agencies:** State Agency for Geodesy and Carthography
of Ministry of Infrastructure Development
Ikh Foyruu-15, Ulaanbaatar-46
Fax: (976-11) 322-683
Tel: (976-11) 324-576Land Management Agency of Ministry of
Nature and Environment
P.O. Box 83, Ulaanbaatar 35
Fax: (976-11) 360-562
Tel: (976-11) 360-562**Amount :** US\$990,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to develop a comprehensive and cohesive framework of laws relating to land and the land administration system. This also includes training of appropriate government personnel in the interpretation and administration of the laws and the land administration system, through seminars and workshops.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2007)

★RETRAINING OF LEGAL PROFESSIONALS IN A MARKET ECONOMY II

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
Ulaanbaatar 210646
Fax: (976-11) 325-225

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The objective is to assist the Legal Retraining Center (LRC) which was established under TA 2967, to deliver training in commercial laws and regulations of the highest quality and to become a financially self-sustaining institution through the introduction of additional tuition-based programs.

Project Status : Proposal

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★ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT LEGAL FRAMEWORK ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Funding Agency : Mongolian Cooperation Fund (administered by EBRD)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice and Home Affairs

Amount : Euro 21,945

Project Description: Assessment of Mongolia's legal framework for improving corporate governance and secured transactions.

Project Status : In progress

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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (1)

Funding Agencies : German Government, GTZ

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount : DM 8,500,000

Project Description: Advisory services for the Ministry of Justice focusing on the reform of commercial laws in Mongolia.

Project Status : In progress

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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (2)

Funding Agencies : German Government
Konrad-Adenauer Foundation (KAF)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice and others

Project Description: Since 1993, support has included study tours and scholarships for Mongolian lawmakers and lawyers in Germany; funding of seminars on legal issues; and assignment of both long-term and short-term experts.

Project Status : In progress

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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (MONGOLIAN AUDITING BOARD (3))

Funding Agencies : German Government, GTZ

Executing Agency: State Audit Commission

Amount : DM 3,000,000

Project Description: Support for the establishment of a Mongolian auditing board.

Project Status : In progress

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ASSISTANCE TO LEGAL SECTOR (4)

Funding Agencies : German Government
Hanns-Seidel Foundation (HSF)

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice and others

Project Description: Since 1994, support has included study tours and scholarships for Mongolian lawmakers and lawyers in Germany; funding of seminars on legal issues; assignment of short-term experts; and establishment of a legal database.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contacts : German Embassy
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HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

Funding Agencies : UNDP, UNESCO and DANIDA

Executing Agency: UNESCO

Amount : US\$320,000

Project Description: As part of a decentralization package, assistance for human rights education at the smallest administrative unit level (baghs) in Mongolia.

Project Status : In progress

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR GOVERNING INSTITUTIONS: SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agencies: Secretariat General of Parliament
Chancellery of President's Office
Cabinet Secretariat
General Council of Courts

Amount : US\$2,500,000

Project Description: The Project involves technological and organizational capacity building as well as governance and policy analysis methodology training for the four powers of the Mongolian State: Parliament, Presidency, Government and the Judiciary.

Project Status : In progress

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BANKING, ENTERPRISE AND LEGAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CREDIT (BELTAC Credit No. 2948)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount : SDR 1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): The BELTAC legal reform component will provide advisory support and training for the Ministry of Justice and selected legal institutions. It envisages a pipeline of subprojects, the first of which are (i) training of professionals on the application of the (new) bankruptcy law and a public information campaign on bankruptcy; (ii) the establishment of a registry for the registration of secured interests in movable property; and (iii) strengthening of the bailiff's office through a combination of study tours and the development of a basic training course for bailiffs on execution of judgments.

Project Status : In progress

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❖ FISCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (C3081)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : SDR 3,800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the preparation of a value-added tax law, including implementing regulations thereto, and (ii) the formulation and carrying out of a publicity campaign and public consultations for the effective enforcement of the law and regulations

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Rural Finance

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Bank of Mongolia

Strengthening Financial Sector Development

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Bank of Mongolia

NEPAL

STRENGTHENING PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PRACTICES (T.A. No. 3306-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Works and Transport
Babar Mahal, Kathmandu
Tel: (9771) 226698
Fax: (771) 241431

Amount : US\$820,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing rules, laws, regulations, procedures, and standard documents related to public works undertaken by the Government and government-owned corporations and authorities; and (ii) preparation of a compendium that will provide a comprehensive guide and reference for project personnel when implementing projects.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– May 2002)

COMPANY, INSOLVENCY AND SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW REFORM (T.A. No. 3461-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the reform of laws relating to companies, insolvency, and secured transactions, with a view to enhancing corporate governance; (ii) restructuring or dissolution of companies in distress; and (iii) establishment of an institutional framework for creation, perfection, and enforcement of security over property.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

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AGRICULTURE SECTOR PERFORMANCE REVIEW (T.A. No. 3536-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
Singh Durbar
Kathmandu, Nepal
Fax: (9771) 225-825

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will be provided (i) to examine the legal issues relating to implementation of the Government's policy for market-oriented agricultural development under the Agriculture Perspective Plan (APP); and (ii) to identify and recommend specific measures to facilitate legislative and regulatory changes required for effective implementation of the APP.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– July 2002)

STREAMLINING OF FINANCIAL, CORPORATE AND COMMERCIAL LEGISLATION (T.A. No. 3580-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law and Justice

Amount : US\$250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and updating of financial and corporate sector legislation. This will include: (i) a diagnostic study of existing laws and issues, taking into account the institutional framework for implementation and enforcement; (ii) development of guiding principles and policy objectives to be addressed through legislation, and conduct workshops to foster a participatory process in updating legislation; (iii) drafting support for new legislation based on the reform needs identified; and (iv) recommendations to improve the institutional framework for enforcement.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– May 2003)

SECOND RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3625-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Local Development
Shree Mahal, Pulchowk
Lalitpur
Fax: (9771) 523329

Amount : US\$565,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of current Government legislation and policies affecting the rural infrastructure sector and identify policy changes that may be necessary.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT FOR GOVERNANCE REFORMS (T.A. No. 3622-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of General Administration

Amount : US\$1,525,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include: (i) review of proposed anticorruption legislation to assess whether it meets international best practice; and (ii) analysis of the institutional framework for combatting corruption, focusing on the judicial system, the Commission for the Investigation of the Abuse of Authority, the Auditor General's Office, and the Special Police (at district level).

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– November 2002)

SUPPORT FOR THE FOCAL POINT FOR FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORMS (T. A. No. 3834-NEP)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in financial sector reforms and judicial strengthening including (i) drafting and implementation of the new companies law, secured transactions law and insolvency law; (ii) coordination with the implementing agencies for the establishment of the National Judicial Academy, a legal information center, a secured transactions registry, and a special commercial bench/dispute resolution mechanisms.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– August 2003)

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STRENGTHENING OF THE RULE OF LAW AND REFORM OF THE JUDICIARY

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, and the Supreme Court of Nepal

Amount : US\$1,358,314

Project Description: This project seeks to promote the rule of law through three main strategies: (i) improve citizen's access to justice particularly of the poor and disadvantaged through the establishment of Arbitration Boards at the village and municipal level to settle minor disputes in accordance with the provisions of the Local Self Governance Act, 1998; (ii) strengthening the capacity of the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs to draft appropriate treaties and legislation; and (iii) enhancing transparency, accountability, and competency in judicial system through reform of substantive and procedural laws, training to judges and modernization of case flow.

Project Status : Proposal

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Registrar, Supreme Court
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COMPLETED PROJECT

Formulating an Action Plan for Civil Service Reforms

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of General Administration

Information and Communication Technology for Improved

Financial Services Provision

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Rights, Responsibilities and Advocacy Program

Funding Agency : USAID
Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

PAKISTAN

CAPITAL MARKET AND INSURANCE LAW REFORM **(T.A. No. 2825-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Commerce
Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 920-1570

Corporate Law Authority
Islamabad

Amount : US\$100,000

Project Description: Assistance in developing legal frameworks for the creation of an independent and autonomous securities regulatory body and an insurance regulatory body. This includes drafting some key corporate and securities laws.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– October 2002)

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CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT OF THE SECURITIES **MARKET (Loan No. 1577-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
(formerly Corporate Law Authority)
Islamabad

Amount : US\$5,000,000

Project Description: The TA Loan will comprise the following components: (i) institutional strengthening of SEC; (ii) strengthening of self-regulatory mechanisms among market participants; (iii) establishment of an efficient national clearing and settlement system by the stock exchanges and its integration with the depository network; and (iv) establishment of an over-the-counter debt market which includes development of a legal and regulatory framework for asset securitization. Under the TA, the legal aspects of each component will be analyzed and new legal and regulatory frameworks evolved.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– July 2002)

STRENGTHENING GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICES AND **THE SUBORDINATE JUDICIARY (T.A. No. 2979-PAK)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and
Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (9251) 920-2628

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The TA aims at studying the delivery of legal services to the Government and the working of the Judiciary in Pakistan, and formulating, through a participatory framework process, recommendations for strengthening and improving the systems. The TA will cover two components, namely Government legal services and the subordinate judiciary.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– October 2002)

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LEGAL AND JUDICIAL REFORM (T.A. No. 3015-PAK)**Funding Agency** : ADB**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (9251) 920-2628**Amount** : US\$995,000**Project Description:** The TA aims to address the key governance issues of inefficiencies in the legal and judicial system which are adversely impacting economic development. The scope of the TA includes: (i) an examination of the working of courts including human resources, court administration, case management, the physical infrastructure of courts and the use of technology; (ii) an analysis and recommendations for reform of procedural laws and rules; (iii) development of a legal information system for dissemination of laws and judicial precedents; (iv) recommendations for use of technology and computers by the law ministries, other government legal offices and the courts; (v) a critical assessment of the institutional framework for judicial training; (vi) a critical assessment of legal education and training; (vii) an examination of the legal profession and the issues relating thereto; (viii) an examination of the issues relating to access to justice including the small causes courts, the offices of the ombudsmen and representation of women in the legal profession and the judiciary; and (ix) an examination of the issues in economic law reform including arbitration law, insolvency and other key commercial laws.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion– October 2002))**Project Contacts** : Mr. Douglas Porter
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Block A, Secretariat Building
Fax: (9251) 920-6272**Amount** : US\$650,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the enhancement of the legal and regulatory framework for resource management and service provision in relation to developing the water sector strategy.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion– November 2002)**STRENGTHENING OF INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR JUDICIAL AND LEGAL REFORM (T.A. No. 3433-PAK)****Funding Agency** : ADB**Executing Agency** : Ministry of Law, Justice, Human Rights and Parliamentary Affairs
Fax: (9251) 921-2710**Amount** : US\$2,900,000**Project Description:** The objective of the TA is to strengthen institutional capacity for judicial and legal reform and enable the government to initiate key governance and institutional reforms. This includes: (i) judicial policymaking and administration; (ii) delay-reduction pilot projects; (iii) improving access to justice; (iv) judicial training to enhance the institutional capacity of the Federal Judicial Academy, legal education and legal profession; (v) economic law reform; and (vi) drafting of legislation or amending existing rules and regulations, including arbitration law.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)**Project Contacts** : Mr. Douglas Porter
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EAC Building, Islamabad
Fax: (9251) 921-1692**Amount** : US\$1,000,000**Project Description** (legal component): Assistance in the privatization of the Karachi Electric Supply Corporation (KESC) which includes review of documents to assess the status of KESC's legal and contractual obligations.**Project Status** : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

HEALTH SECTOR REFORM IN NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE (T.A. No. 3386-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Health, NWFP
Human Resource Building
NWFP Secretariat
Fax: (9291) 921-0419

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of rules and regulations for the conduct of business of the autonomous hospitals and decentralized health authorities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2002)

INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING FOR GOVERNMENT-NGO COOPERATION (T.A. No. 3618-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of legal and regulatory structures affecting NGOs and the development of recommendations for revision of these structures.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– March 2004)

★RESTRUCTURING OF GAS SECTOR (T.A. No. 3711-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources
Government of Pakistan
Block-A, PAK Secretariat
Islamabad, Pakistan
Contact: Mr. M. Abdullah Yusuf, Secretary
Fax: (9251) 920-1770

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in restructuring and privatization of the gas sector particularly the creation of the basic legal framework for the new entities.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– June 2004)

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★CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CAPITAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (T.A. No. 3696-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Finance

Securities and Exchange Commission of
Pakistan
NIC Building, Blue Area
Islamabad, Pakistan
Contact: Mr. Tarik Iqbal Khan, Commissioner
Fax: (9251) 9204915

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) review of existing rules and regulations of the capital market and the status of their enforcement; (ii) assessment of the governance framework for market participants, in particular those areas pertaining to equity investments by institutional investors and market transaction norms of brokerage and investment banks; and (iii) preparation of the reform programs to ensure appropriate sequencing and pacing of reforms in the Pakistani context.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–October 2002)

★SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (T.A. No. 3835-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Industry and Production

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of domestic law underlying the licensing and operations of small and medium enterprises (SMEs); and (ii) drafting of a legal framework and legislation to enhance labor and industry standards as well as environmental standards for SMEs.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2003)

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★ADDITIONAL PREPARATORY WORK ON THE SINDH RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3725-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Planning and Development Department, Sindh
Government of Sindh
414, Tughluq House
Karachi
Contact: Mr. Ghulam Mustafa Abro
Fax: 9211922/9211413

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include analysis of legislation relevant to tenancy, bonded labor, and land reform, identifying inconsistencies and recommending refinements both in the legislation and in measures for its implementation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – September 2002)

❖SUPPORTING ACCESS TO JUSTICE UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLAN (T.A. No. 3640-PAK)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Law, Justice, Parliamentary Affairs and Human Rights

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The objective of the TA will be to supplement TA 3433-PAK: *Strengthening of Institutional Capacity for Judicial and Legal Reform* to address the priorities of the Local Government Plan 2000 (the Plan) for delivery of justice at the doorstep. The TA will have three components: (a) a rapid assessment of judicial capacity and dispute resolution mechanisms needs at the local level in light of the political and administrative devolution under the Plan; (b) an assessment of the judicial capacity and needs for dispute resolution mechanisms must be followed by the design of a resources plan indicating how finances and other resources may be raised to satisfy the needs identified under component (a); and (c) resources and implementation plans for new and existing institutional/judicial capacity enhancement under the devolution plan, and for the development of institutional capacity at the local level.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–December 2002)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Enhancing Capital Market Depth for Preparing Capital Market Development Program II

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission

Fiscal Decentralization

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Reconstruction Bureau

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

REVIEW OF MINING AND HYDROCARBON TAX REGIMES (T.A. No. 3444-PNG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Internal Revenue Commission
P.O. Box 710
Waigani N.C.D.
Fax: (675) 321-4002

Amount : US\$325,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include: (i) review of existing legislation for mining and hydrocarbons considering the transparency and simplicity of the tax system and the potential for tax avoidance and transfer pricing; and (ii) advice, as necessary, on the interpretation of laws and agreements concerning the fiscal regimes, and on the legal aspects of reform proposals.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

❖PREPARING THE ROAD AUTHORITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3716-PNG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Department of Works and Implementation
P.O. Box 1108, Boroko
Contact: Mr. Alhonse Niggins, Secretary
Fax: (675) 324-1177

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include review of the legal framework and approval processes to ensure adequate incorporation of all official process for approval of the

legislation proposals to be delivered by the TA, and provide references to affected legal texts.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– February 2003)

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ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING

Funding Agency : AusAID

Amount : To be determined

Project Description: Investigation of possible forms of assistance to improve access to legal and judicial services and increase the responsiveness of the justice system to community needs by strengthening the capacity of the Attorney General's Department, the judiciary, the National Judicial Staff Service and the Legal Training Institute. It is anticipated that two projects will be implemented arising from this exercise - an institutional strengthening project for the Attorney General's Department and a legal capacity building project which aims to improve the skill levels of the judiciary, court staff and legal practitioners and students.

Project Status : In progress (4 years from late 1999)

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LEGAL CAPACITY BUILDING

Funding Agency : AusAID

Project Description: Assistance to increase the responsiveness of the justice system to community needs by strengthening the capacities of the judiciary and magistracy, the National Judicial Staff Service, the Legal Training Institute and the legal profession generally. The overall aim is to enhance the skills of those people whose work is critical to the effective operation of the PNG justice system.

Project Status : In progress (Duration - 3 years from mid-2000)

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★GAS DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (L7019)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$7,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes strengthening of the policy and regulatory framework for promotion investments in gas development and activities for carrying out in-country awareness campaigns among affected communities relating to the Borrower's laws and policies for the sector.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – March 2006)

Project Contact : Ms. Patricia Miranda
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★MINING SECTOR INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (L7018)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$10,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening of the policy and regulatory framework for the mining sector through a review of existing mining policy and legislation and the development of new strategies and legislation as required.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – December 2005)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS**Review of Constraints to Informal Sector Development**

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Department of Finance and Treasury

Road Sector Institution Development

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Department of Transport and Civil Aviation

PHILIPPINES

AIR EMISSION POLICY STUDIES (T.A. 3128-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Department of Environment and Natural Resources
 Environment Management Bureau
 3/F Topaz Bldg., 99-100 Kamias Road
 Diliman, Quezon City
 Fax: (632) 928-5698

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing the legal framework of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources as well as the operations of the Pollution Adjudication Board and the Public Hearing Committee under the Laguna Lake Development Authority jurisdiction; and (ii) drafting and enforcing legislation and regulations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of operations and to establish a framework through which legal aspects of environmental management can be made more transparent and effective.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– July 2003)

NON-BANK FINANCIAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT (T.A. 3245-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Securities and Exchange Commission
 8/F SEC Building
 EDSA Greenhills, Mandaluyong City
 Fax: (632) 726-8459

Amount : US\$2,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing and amending key legislation and regulations to determine the adequacy of current market and prudential regulations for non-bank financial institutions (including investment houses, finance companies, mutual funds, and brokers/dealers).

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

STRENGTHENING THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY (T.A. No. 3693-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Supreme Court of the Philippines

Amount : US\$1,200,000

Project Description: The objectives are to (i) strengthen the judiciary's fiscal independence and responsibility; (ii) improve the appointment process and the incentives system under which judges and justices function; (iii) enhance the capacity of the judiciary to dispense justice; and (iv) improve transparency in the judiciary and public access to information regarding the judiciary.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–June 2003)

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR THE REGULATORY OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM (T.A. No. 3703-PHI)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS)
 Katipunan Road, Balara, Quezon City
 Fax: (632) 921-2887

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the institutional capacity of the MWSS-Regulatory Office (MWSS-RO) to efficiently regulate concessionaire performance under the Concession Agreements, focussing on arbitration as well as the legal aspects of MWSS-RO tasks set out in the Concession Agreements.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - August 2003)

**REFORMING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE
THROUGH COALITION ADVOCACY (RAJCA)
(AID-492-G-98-00032-00)**

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : The Asia Foundation

Amount : US\$2,267,643

Project Description: This project seeks to strengthen the Philippine legal and judicial system for it to operate more efficiently, effectively, and above all equitably for all Filipinos, particularly disadvantaged sectors. Working in coalition with Alternative Law Groups, the project includes interventions in three areas: (i) reform within the court system; (ii) reform outside the court system (including barangay justice, quasi-judicial adjudication, and the formulation.

Project Status : In progress

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**❖CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL RESTRUCTURING OF
PHILIPPINE WATER UTILITIES (TF025857)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the efficient management of contingent liabilities of the Government in the water sector, including the drafting of legislative changes, if required.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)

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**❖LAND ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT PROJECT
(L7034)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$4,790,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in carrying out studies in land administration and management policies, including land law and regulations.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – September 2003)

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❖SECOND SUBIC BAY FREEPORT PROJECT (L4111)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$60,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the regulatory, administrative and management capacity of the Borrower.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – June 2002)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

**Institutional Capacity Building of the Philippine Deposit
Insurance Corporation**

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : PDIC

Decentralization of Basic Education Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Education, Culture & Sports

Study on Cost Recovery Mechanisms for Irrigation O & M

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Agriculture

SAMOA

CAPACITY BUILDING OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS ADVISORY INTERMEDIARIES (T.A. No. 3549-SAM)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Treasury Department
P.O. Box 30017, Apia
Fax: (685) 21-312/24-779

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the improvement of the legal and regulatory environment for the corporate sector, particularly those areas that impact the micro- and small enterprise sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2005)

CAPACITY BUILDING OF URBAN PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT (T.A. No. 3566-SAM)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Treasury Department
P.O. Box 30017, Apia
Fax: (685) 21-312/24-779

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting procedural, regulatory, and legislative framework for the establishment of an urban management system paying special attention to mechanisms for agency coordination, development assessment, strategic planning and policy making, resolution of land issues, and village and community participation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion-April 2002)

HEALTH SECTOR MANAGEMENT PROJECT (C3421)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$3,800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes (i) the development and implementation of appropriate health policies, legislation and regulations, and (ii) strengthening health care legislation and regulations for current and emerging policies and activities.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date - March 2006)

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SOLOMON ISLANDS

STRENGTHENING PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT - PHASE 2 (T.A. No. 3419-SOL)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the Prime Minister
Public Service Department
P.O. Box G1, Honiara
Fax: (677) 24594

Amount : US\$550,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) the preparation of draft legislation and the constitutional amendments to support the reforms in the public sector; and (ii) the supervision and training of indigenous legal graduates recruited for the purpose of assuming legal drafting roles within the Cabinet or the Attorney-General's Office.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2002)

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Strengthening of Public Sector Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Review of Provincial Government

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Department of Provincial Government and Rural Development

SRI LANKA

SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3578-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Planning

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in streamlining the legal and regulatory framework affecting small and medium enterprises and the business sector by (i) identifying constraints and impediments posed by the existing legal and regulatory framework for industry, trade, finance, and investment; (ii) identifying laws and regulations that require amendment or repeal in view of the high costs of compliance; and (iii) drafting amendments as appropriate.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - July 2002)

INTEGRATING CLEANER PRODUCTION INTO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3624-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Economic and Industrial Development
Galle Road, Colombo 3
Sri Lanka

Amount : US\$800,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in reviewing existing policies and legislation related to industrial development and environmental management to identify policy constraints and opportunities for implementing cleaner production strategy and practice.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

☛PREPARING THE RURAL FINANCE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (T.A. No. 3707-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : The Central Bank of Sri Lanka
Rural Credit Dept.
Colombo 1, Sri Lanka
Contact: Mrs. C.K. Nanayakkara, Director
Fax: (94-1) 445509/324931

Amount : US\$550,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of laws relevant for rural financial market operations to identify gaps/inadequacies in such laws that hamper rural financial development; (ii) review of the legal framework within which rural development banks, cooperative rural banks, thrift and credit cooperative societies, and farmer bank societies operate, and suggestions on how this framework can be improved or rationalized to ensure their orderly growth; (iii) formulation of a draft legal framework for NGOs and community-based organizations providing microfinance services to ensure their sound growth and ability to leverage funds in domestic markets; (iv) suggestions on the legal aspects relating to recovery of small loans; and (v) recommendations on changes to the legal environment for rural finance that can assist in promoting rural financial and business development.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

☛ENABLING SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES GROWTH (T.A. No. 3822-SRI)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance and Planning
P.O. Box 277
Colombo 1, Sri Lanka
Contact: Mr. Faiz Mohideen
Director General, ERD
Fax: (94-1) 447633

Amount : US\$1,250,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of the legal framework for secured transactions with which to catalyze non-bank sources of finance for SMEs; and (ii) drafting of legislation for a suitable secured transactions legal regime which will form the basis for future development of a modern, electronic, secured transactions registry.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – December 2004)

COMPLETED PROJECTS

Sustainable Natural Resource Management for Development

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance & Planning

Preparing the Southern Province Rural Economic Advancement

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Plan Implementation and Parliamentary Affairs

Promotion of Private Sector Involvement in Oil/Gas Exploration

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ceylon Petroleum Corporation

Plantation Development

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Plantation Industries

Land Titling and Cadastral Mapping Project

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Department of Lands, Western Australia

TAJIKISTAN

**DISSEMINATION OF LAWS AND THE STRENGTHENING
 OF THE LEGAL INFORMATION SYSTEM
 (T.A. No. 3238-TAJ)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the President
 80 Rudaki Avenue
 Dushanbe
 Fax: (7 3772) 213446

Amount : US\$380,000

Project Description: Assistance in the establishment of the Law Reform Commission, the dissemination of laws of Tajikistan, and the training of Tajik lawyers.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

Project Contact : Mr. Gerd Droesse
 ADB
 Office of the General Counsel
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 E-mail: gdroesse@adb.org

**GOVERNANCE ASSESSMENT – SOUND DEVELOPMENT
 MANAGEMENT FOR TAJIKISTAN (T.A. No. 3694-TAJ)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Working Group on the Improvement of the State Sector

Amount : US\$140,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include identification and in-depth review of legal/judicial organizational issues, anti-corruption measures and redress mechanisms.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL AND JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Office of the President
 80 Rudaki Avenue, Dushanbe
 Contact: Legal Department
 Fax: (7-3772) 213446
 Tel: (7-3772) 212911

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description: The objectives are to (i) assist the Government in carrying out a legal needs assessment and the development of a master plan for legal and judicial reforms; (ii) provide immediate assistance for enhancing judicial capacity; (iii) support key legal reforms for a market economy; and (iv) improve access to justice.

Project Status : Proposal

Project Contact : Ms. Gulen Atay
 ADB
 Office of the General Counsel
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 E-mail: gatay@adb.org

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY DEVELOPMENT
 PROGRAMME**

Funding Agency : Japan (administered by EBRD)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Telecommunications

Amount : EUR 301,214

Project Description: The objective of the Project is to assist the Tajik authorities in drafting a modern telecommunications law and in establishing a clear predictable and pro-competitive regulatory framework.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Paul Moffatt
 EBRD
 Office of the General Counsel
 Fax: (4420) 338-6150
 E-mail: moffattp@ebrd.com

COMPLETED PROJECT
Strategy for Improved Flood Management

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Center for the Liquidation of the Consequences of National Disasters

Agriculture Rehabilitation

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Ministry of Water Resources

Rural Financial Systems Development

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : National Bank of Tajikistan

THAILAND

PREPARING MEDIUM TERM RECOVERY STRATEGY (T.A. No. 3373-THA)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Economic and Social Development Board (NESDB)

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) reviewing all provisions in the new constitution and in other legal documents (national and local) that pertain to decentralization, devolution of powers, and other related jurisprudence, including the state of implementation or the required codes and rules for implementation; (ii) identifying possible gaps in the legal mandate providing for decentralized functions of government, devolution of government services, and power sharing; and (iii) preparing recommendations for changes in structure of NESDB and different levels of government to respond to the needs of decentralization.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– May 2002)

TRAINING IN BUSINESS REORGANIZATION AND INSOLVENCY (T.A. No. 3589-THA)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Business Reorganization Office

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: The objectives are: (i) to strengthen the decision making process of the Business Reorganization Office and the Legal Execution Department in the administration of business reorganization cases through increasing the understanding of relevant officials of the economic, financial, legal and accounting implications of insolvency regimes in line with international best practice; (ii) to strengthen the capacity of Thai training institutions to deliver high quality training in insolvency processes to a range of practitioners; and (iii) to assist in the promotion of the understanding of bankruptcy, rehabilitation, restructuring and insolvency law, principles and practice through the development of a practitioners' handbook.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – March 2003)

Project Contact : Ms. Clare Wee
ADB
Office of the General Counsel
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★STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISMS (T.A. No. 3662-THA)

Funding Agency : ADB (from ACCSF)

Executing Agency : Office of the National Counter Corruption Commission
165/1 Phitsanuloke Road
Bangkok, Thailand
Contact: Mr. Chitchai Panichpat
Deputy Secretary-General
E-mail: occc@mozart.inet.co.th

Amount : US\$565,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of all provisions in the new Thai constitution and other legal documents concerning the impeachment process; and (ii) proposals for new laws and regulations that can strengthen the conduct of the impeachment process.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – December 2003)

COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (TF 029440)

Funding Agency : Japanese Government

Executing Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$450,000

Project Description (legal component): Legal advisory services to review and provide recommendations concerning the legal and regulatory framework related to: (i) mangrove forests, including land use in mangrove forest areas; (ii) marine national parks, including multiple use approach to marine park management, co-existence between parks and communities living within their boundaries and financing of marine national park management; (iii) coastal fisheries, including property rights and tenure for community-based fisheries management and access and harvest control in the offshore fisheries; and (iv) any other relevant natural resources and environmentally-related policy issues identified during project preparation.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
The World Bank
Legal Department
1818 H Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20433, U.S.A.
Tel: (202) 458-1771
Fax: (202) 522-1590

**CHAO PRAYA RIVER BASIN WATER RESOURCE
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (TF 022751)**

Funding Agency : Japanese Government

Executing Agency : The World Bank

Amount : ¥105,900,000

Project Description (legal component): Legal advisory services to review and propose amendments to the existing legal and regulatory framework related to water resources development and conservation, with special emphasis on water rights.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
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**FINANCIAL SECTOR IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE
PROJECT (Loan No. 4233-TH)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$15,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Technical assistance for strengthening of the legal and regulatory framework, the supervisory regime, and the institutional mechanisms for regulation of financial institutions.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Hoi-Chan Nguyen
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**METROPOLITAN DISTRIBUTION REINFORCEMENT
PROJECT (Loan No. 4199-TH)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$145,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance for the restructuring of power distribution.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
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**BUILDING CAPACITY FOR FINANCIAL
ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE PROJECT
(IDF Grant)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Amount : US\$343,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance for the improvement of the legal and regulatory framework for financial accountability, transparency of information in the public and private sectors, accounting and auditing standards.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Teresa Genta-Fons
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ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT PROJECT (L4288)

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IBRD)

Amount : US\$15,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Preparation of legal framework for corporatization and privatization of state-owned enterprises; preparation of legal framework for concessions and for granting government guarantees.

Project Status : In progress

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COMPLETED PROJECT

Solid Waste Management

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : NESDB

TONGA

TURKMENISTAN

❖ECONOMIC AND PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM
(T.A. No. 3705-TON)
Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance
 P.O. Box 87, Vuna Road
 Nuku'alofa
 Contact: Mr. Aisake Eke, Secretary
 Fax: (676) 26-011
 Tel: (676) 23-066

Amount : US\$650,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review and consolidation of Tonga's laws and regulations; (ii) analysis of the regulatory regime of Tonga to ensure good practice and enforceability; (iii) review of regulations to ascertain that regulatory bodies comply with good practice and to suggest improvements to legislation in line with government policy; (iv) and assessment of the needs of the judiciary for improved dispensation of justice and smoother functioning of the court system in consultation with the advisory team provided by the Australian Agency for International Development that aims at strengthening the legal sector.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – December 2002)

❖LEGAL EDUCATION
Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI

Project Description: In 1999, ABA/CEELI began a legal education and information program with Turkmen State University and the National Library.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
 USAID
 97a Furmanova Street
 480091, Almaty
 Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-612
 Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

❖ENERGY AND WATER MANAGEMENT – RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agencies: United States Energy Association
 Israeli Development Agency
 Mineral Management Service
 PA Consulting Group

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in developing oil and gas environmental laws and regulations, the process by which they are implemented and the structure of the implementing institutions.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
 USAID
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❖TRADE AND INVESTMENT PROGRAM
Funding Agency : USAID

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of laws that are fundamental to private-sector development, including laws on customs and tariffs, business organizations, company registration, and intellectual property rights.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
97a Furmanova Street
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UZBEKISTAN

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REFORMS (T.A. No.3562-UZB)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Information Analytical Department
Government House
Tashkent 700 008
Fax: (3712) 139-8144

Amount : US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of existing legal and regulatory framework for corporate governance; (ii) review of the constraints on good corporate governance; and (iii) preparation of a legal and regulatory framework for the most appropriate modality (e.g. trustee governance) outlining the rights and responsibilities of the shareholder (e.g. Government) and those of the other parties.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– September 2002)

LEASING LEGISLATION

Funding Agency : Japan (administered by EBRD)

Amount : EUR 59,264

Project Description: The project aims to improve the legal and tax environment for commercial leasing transactions.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Ms. Anita Gmmshi
EBRD
Office of the General Counsel
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING – FISCAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : KPMG/Barents Group

Amount : US\$2,044,860

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of legislation for value added tax, excise tax, corporate income tax and personal income tax, and advice on the administration of these and other taxes.

Project Status : In progress

DEMOCRATIC CULTURE – NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agencies: Counterpart Consortium
International Center for Not-For-Project Law
ABA/CEELI
Initiative for Social Action and Renewal in
India

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in improving the legal and regulatory framework affecting NGOs particularly those that promote women's rights and the contribution of women to social and political decision-making.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Regional Mission for Central Asia
USAID
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ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING – PENSION REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : IMCC

Amount : US\$209,550

Project Description: Assistance in the development of regulations for the implementation of the new law on pensions, and assistance in the administration of the new pension regime.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : USAID
Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

ECONOMIC RESTRUCTURING – FINANCIAL MARKETS DEVELOPMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Amount : US\$7,635,000 (also covers similar TA in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyz Republic)

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in drafting and implementing securities laws and regulations, and provision of legal advice to securities market participants.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : USAID
Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Tel: (3272) 507-615/507-635
Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

COMMERCIAL LAW REFORM – TRADE AND INVESTMENT

Funding Agency : USAID

Amount : US\$1,910,774

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in (i) drafting and securing passage of legislation in the areas of customs law and

intellectual property rights; and (ii) establishment of a regulatory framework to promote increased trade and foreign investments.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : USAID
Regional Mission for Central Asia
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

DEMOCRATIC REFORM – NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : Counterpart Consortium

Amount : US\$1,475,782

Project Description (legal component): Support for NGO participation in the preparations of legal and regulatory frameworks affecting NGO operations.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : USAID
Regional Mission for Central Asia
97a Furmanova Street
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Fax: (3272) 696-490/507-636

DEMOCRATIC REFORM – LEGAL REFORM

Funding Agency : USAID

Executing Agency : ABA/CEELI

Amount : US\$660,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the development of an independent judiciary and legal profession through continuing legal education and assistance in forming judicial and legal associations; and (ii) the improvement of the quality of legislation by reviewing and commenting on draft laws and providing relevant training.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : USAID
Regional Mission for Central Asia
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COMPLETED PROJECT**Rural Savings and Credit Union Development**

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Central Bank of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Pension Reform

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Ministry of Social Maintenance

VANUATU

CAPACITY BUILDING OF THE LEGAL SECTOR
(T.A. No. 3613-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Law Office
 PMB 048
 Port Vila, Vanuatu
 Fax: (678) 22362

Amount : US\$330,000

Project Description: The TA will (i) provide an awareness heightening program to public sector officials on the law and their rights and obligations under it; (ii) assist the Government to meet international standards with respect to money laundering and international fiscal responsibility; (iii) provide capacity building and skills transfer training to legal officers in the SLO and other legal offices, including the capacity to monitor and prevent fraudulent activities and ensure the Government complies with legislative requirements; (iv) provide high quality and timely advice to Government ministries; (v) assist the Government to improve the quality of its action in defense of its legal obligations; (vi) assist the Government to provide public awareness campaigns; and (vii) help SLO to establish and operate a public law information center.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – April 2003)

❖ INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE PARLIAMENT
(T.A. No. 3816-VAN)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Department of Strategic Management
 Ministry of Comprehensive Reform Program
 Private Mail Bag 088
 Port Vila, Vanuatu
 Contact: The Director
 Fax: (678) 25481

Amount : US\$200,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include introduction of legislation for the Offices of Parliament and any necessary legal foundation for Parliament's privileges.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – February 2003)

COMPLETED PROJECT
Institutional Support to the Central Agencies for the
Comprehensive Reform Program – Phase II

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Department of Strategic Management

Rural Financial Services

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : Ministry of Trade and Business Development

Law Reform and Capacity Building

Funding Agency : ADB
 Executing Agency : State Law Office

VIET NAM, SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF

**REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR SECURED TRANSACTIONS
(T.A. No. 2823-VIE)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
25A Cat Linh St., Hanoi
Fax: (844) 843-0712

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: Assistance to identify inputs and actions needed to establish and bring into operation a centralized computerized system, accessible for the public, for registration of property ownership, security interests and other interests in property. Advice will also be provided on implementing regulations to effectuate such system.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – October 2002)

Project Contact : Mr. Richard Eyre
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Office of the General Counsel
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**RETRAINING OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL OFFICERS
(T.A. No. 2853-VIE)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice
25A Cat Linh St., Hanoi
Fax: (844) 843-0712

Amount : US\$1,200,000

Project Description: The TA aims to help the Government establish the institutional framework to provide continuing legal education for Vietnamese lawyers. The TA includes a training of trainers program to help build a cadre for the provision of continuing legal education. The TA will assist in the development and delivery of a long-term country-wide legal retraining program that aims to provide Vietnamese lawyers with practical legal skills and knowledge necessary for lawyers operating in a market economy.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– December 2002)

Project Contact : Ms. Eveline Fischer
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Office of the General Counsel
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FINANCIAL MARKET DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3147-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Bank of Viet Nam
47-49 Ly Thai To, Hanoi
Fax: (844) 825-0612

Amount : US\$980,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance to examine the existing legal framework governing capital market functions and propose any revisions or new laws or decrees deemed necessary for a properly functioning capital market.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– March 2003)

**CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PREVENTION OF
FOODBORNE DISEASES (T.A. No. 3483-VIE)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Ministry of Health
138A Giang Vo Street
Ba Dinh District, Hanoi
Fax: (844) 846-3739

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of existing policies, laws, and regulations related to food quality, hygiene, and safety, and based on the review, proposals will be submitted for the development of a coordinated national policy on food safety, complemented by new laws and regulations tailored to the country's needs and resources.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – January 2003)

**REVISION OF THE BANKRUPTCY LAW SUPPORT
(T.A. No. 3599-VIE)**

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : The State Bank of Viet Nam

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description: Assistance in revising the Bankruptcy Law and the implementation decree for the purpose of accelerating sustainable economic growth through efficient high quality financial intermediation.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–November 2002)

❖ INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT (T.A. No. 3652-VIE)

Funding Agencies : ADB, Government of New Zealand

Executing Agency : The Office of the Government (OOG)
1 Bach Thao Street, Ha Noi
Contact: Mr. Vu Dinh Thuan, Vice Minister/
Chairman of OOG
Fax: 844-804-4130

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes review and revision of relevant decrees and regulations to provide OOG with an appropriate updated legislative framework to more effectively perform its mandated role and functions and also to facilitate and coordinate the Government-wide implementation of public administration reform.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion–May 2002)

❖ ENHANCING RESETTLEMENT LEGAL FRAMEWORK AND INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY (T.A. No. 3727-VIE)

Funding Agencies : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Finance

Amount : US\$310,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes strengthening of the legal framework on land acquisition and resettlement, and improve the awareness among project implementers and people affected about resettlement policy and legal framework.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – April 2003)

❖ FRAMEWORK FOR MICROFINANCE DEVELOPMENT (T.A. No. 3741-VIE)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : State Bank of Viet Nam
47-49 Ly Thai To
Hanoi, Viet Nam
Contact: Mr. Ha Dan Huan
Director, Foreign Department
Fax: (844) 825 0612

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes development of a conducive framework to expand the access to sustainable and affordable microfinance.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – May 2003)

❖ ELIGIBILITY OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES FOR ADB-FINANCED PROCUREMENT

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : Ministry of Planning and Investment

Amount : US\$150,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance includes review and analysis of all legal documents pertaining to SOEs in Viet Nam and identify areas whereby SOEs do not meet the requirements stipulated in ADB policies, practices and documents, including standard bidding documents.

Project Status : Proposal

❖ CAPACITY BUILDING FOR EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE FACILITY

Funding Agency : AusAID

Amount : US\$5,000,000

Project Description: The goal of the project is to improve transparency, accountability and the efficiency and effectiveness of policy development, management and service delivery in the public sector in Vietnam. It is designed to respond to requests from key government ministries and agencies for assistance in the following four focal areas: (a) private sector development; (b) economic integration (with specific focus on the domestic dimensions of liberalizing trade and investment); (c) efficient and equitable use of public sector resources; and (d) fostering a more transparent, predictable and accessible legal and judicial system.

Project Status : Proposal

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VIET NAM - CANADA OCEANS AND COASTAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME - PHASE II - MARINE POLLUTION CONTROL

Funding Agency : VCOP

Executing Agency : VINAMARINE

Amount : Can\$41,500 (approximately)

Project Description: Assistance in drafting regulations to implement international conventions dealing with the prevention of marine pollution from ships, and training of lawyers and judges in connection therewith.

Project Status : In progress

Project Contact : Mr. Vuong Dinh Lam
Director of International Cooperation Dept.
Vietnam National Maritime Bureau
7 A Lang Ha St., Hanoi
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COOPERATION IN THE LEGAL FIELD BETWEEN VIET NAM AND JAPAN

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agencies: Research and Training Institute of the
Ministry of Justice

Ministry of Justice, Viet Nam

Supreme People's Court

Supreme People's Procuracy

Project Description: The objective of the project is to assist Viet Nam in establishing the basic legal infrastructure and in training legal personnel through the explanation of the legal system in Japan.

Project Status : In progress. Phase I was completed in November 1999. Phase II started in December 1999 for three years.

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Ministry of Justice
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STRENGTHENING OF THE RULE OF LAW IN VIET NAM PHASE III

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
Dr. Ha Hung Cuong
Head of International Department

Amount : SEK 15 million

Project Description: The project covers a number of activities in the legal area, such as seminars and study tours, and provision of legal advice, legal training, English training, as well as advice regarding organizational and administrative matters in the Ministry of Justice.

Project Status : In progress (2001-2004)

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STRENGTHENING LEGAL EDUCATION

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice
Dr. Ha Hung Cuong
Head of International Department

Amount : SEK 24 million

Project Description: Support to the University of Law in Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City and other legal training institutions. The project comprises six main sub-components: teachers' training, curricula development, post-graduate studies dialogue partnership, procurement of books/equipment and long-term project planning.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING LEGAL INFORMATION

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice (MOJ)
Law Research Institute

Amount : SEK 11 million

Project Description: Assistance includes (i) enhancing the capacity of MOJ's staff and others in accessing to legal information in the National Legal Database; (ii) strengthening legal dissemination by producing a Law Dictionary; (iii) designing a model of a National Legal Information Centre; and (iv) MOJ library development.

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STRENGTHENING LEGISLATIVE CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/016/B/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Office of the National Assembly

Implementing Agencies : Project Management Board
Hanoi

UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

Amount : About US\$1,000,000 (UNDP)
US\$1,800,000 (Government of Denmark)

Project Description: The project seeks to enhance the capacity of the Office of the National Assembly (ONA) to provide efficient legislative services to the National Assembly in its role in strengthening the rule of law and guiding the transition to a market-oriented economic system in Viet Nam. Assistance will also be provided to the ONA on strategic planning capability, information, human resources development and improved technical facilities, in order to upgrade basic human and material resources available to the National Assembly and its various bodies down to the provincial level. Mobilization and coordination of international assistance will be strengthened.

Project Status : In progress

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STRENGTHENING LEGAL AID

Funding Agency : Sida

Executing Agencies: Ministry of Justice (MOJ),
National Legal Aid Agency (NLAA)

Amount : SEK 11 million

Project Description: Assistance includes (i) strengthening NLAA's capacity; (ii) strengthening capacity of mediation groups; (iii) strengthening capacity of University Law Clinics; and (iv) support to the Bar Associations.

Project Status : In progress November 2001 – November 2004)

STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/017/B/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Supreme People's Court

Implementing Agencies : Institute of Judicial Science
Supreme People's Court
Hanoi
UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

Amount : About US\$1,000,000 (UNDP)
US\$1,800,000 (Government of Denmark)

Project Description: The Project will assist the Government to strengthen its court system and judicial capacity in forms suitable to Viet Nam's specific conditions of economic reform and civil governance reform within the context of sustainable human development. The strategic objective is to strengthen the capacity of the court system, primarily through training of judges and related court and legal personnel, and support training-related judicial exchanges for court personnel who will serve in a rapidly changing legal framework. Activities will be focused on urgent as well as longer-term needs of the court system, including the Supreme People's Court, provincial courts and district courts and, where relevant to judicial training and exchanges, other agencies of the Government.

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STRENGTHENING PUBLIC PROCURATORIAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM (VIE/95/018/B/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP/Government of Denmark

Executing Agency: Supreme People's Procuracy

Implementing Agencies : Institute of Procuratorial Science
Supreme People's Court
Hanoi

UN Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
New York

Amount : About US\$1,000,000 (UNDP)
US\$1,800,000 (Government of Denmark)

Project Description: The Project will assist the Government of Viet Nam to strengthen its procuratorial (public prosecutor) system and capacity in forms suitable to Viet Nam's specific conditions of economic reform and civil governance reform within the context of sustainable human development. The strategic objective is to

strengthen the capacity of the legal system, in this instance primarily through training of procurators, support for professional procuratorial handbooks and other professional materials, support for drafting of a revised Criminal Procedure Code and other legislation, and strengthening of English-language skills. Activities will be focused on urgent as well as longer-term needs of the procuratorial system, including the Supreme People's Procuracy and provincial and district procurators' offices.

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STRENGTHENING LABOR ADMINISTRATION TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE LABOR CODE (VIE/97/003/A/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: Ministry of Labor

Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Labor and ILO

Amount : \$1,500,000

Project Description: The Project will assist the Government in implementing the Labor Code effectively through (i) development of an operational strategic plan for the implementation of the Code; (ii) training of key staff at various levels; (iii) improved dissemination of Labor Code documentation including the creation of two pilot legal counselling offices; (iv) improved information network; and (v) promotion of a tripartite mechanism operation at all levels.

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TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE VIET NAM LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION (VIE/97/004/A/01/99)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Implementing Agency: Viet Nam Lawyers' Association (VLA)

Amount : US\$500,000 - \$700,000 (Phase I)

Project Description: The Project aims at enhancing the capacity of VLA to enable it to successfully fulfil its role under the new context.

The initial phase will focus on the development of management capacity to better serve its members including the development of a program of action, electronic membership registry, professional code of conduct and ethics, retraining and research capacity. Subject to the rate of capacity development achieved under the first phase, the second phase would allow the VLA to extend its professional services to the community particularly the poor.

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IMPROVING THE REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT FOR BUSINESS (VIE/97/016)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: Central Institute for Economic Management

Amount : US\$2,382,800

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in the development of a consistent and transparent legal environment and the creation of appropriate legal conditions and investment environment for the international integration process of Viet Nam in line with its accession to AFTA and interest in WTO and APEC.

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STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL CAPACITY IN VIET NAM, PHASE II (VIE/98/001)

Funding Agency : UNDP

Executing Agency: Ministry of Justice

Amount : US\$1,582,230

Project Description: Assistance in strengthening the rule of law and law implementation by means of capacity development for government staff in (i) compiling, reviewing and systematizing the normative legal documents promulgated from 1976 to date; (ii) drafting priority legal documents for completing the legal framework for economic activities and environmental protection identified under Phase I, together with reviewing draft laws, and other normative legal documents for constitutionality, consistency with other laws, uniformity, and technical

drafting quality; and (iii) public legal dissemination and education. The Project will also provide additional strengthening to the Ministry of Justice and other concerned agencies in coordinating the process of preparing, reviewing and promulgating normative legal documents.

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PREPARATION FOR STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT CREDIT II (TF 029443)

Funding Agency : Japanese Government (World Bank Project)

Amount : US\$958,000

Project Description (legal component): Provision of legal advisory services related to: (i) the State Enterprise Reform Action Program including drafting of specific charters for corporatization of strategic enterprises; and (ii) regulatory and prudential framework for the banking system including review and amendment of the existing banking regulations.

Project Status : In progress

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR EVALUATING AND NEGOTIATING PRIVATELY FINANCED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS (IDF Grant No. TF027563)

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Planning and Investment

Amount : US\$487,000

Project Description: Assistance in building capacity of designated government officials and staff for the management of private infrastructure projects in connection with relevant aspects of contract law and preparation of concession agreements, revenue agreements, guaranties and other related instruments.

Project Status : In progress

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**CAPACITY BUILDING FOR POWER AND GAS SECTOR
REGULATION (IDF Grant No. TF027564)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank

Executing Agency : Ministry of Planning and Investment

Amount : US\$478,000

Project Description: Assistance in building capacity to define the regulatory functions, institutions and regulatory processes to conduct economic regulation of the power and gas subsectors, and to implement and perform such regulatory functions through training of designated government officials and provision of consultants' services.

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**✳TRANSMISSION, DISTRIBUTION AND DISASTER
RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (C3034)**

Funding Agency : The World Bank (IDA)

Amount : US\$144,400,000

Project Description: The Project includes (i) strengthening of the power sector regulatory framework by introducing tariff reforms and implementing regulatory reforms; (ii) strengthening the power sector regulatory capacity through preparation of detailed working procedures and analytic tools needed to regulate the power sector effectively, and training of selected staff of regulatory institutions in the use of said procedures and tools.

Project Status : In progress (Closing date – December 2003)

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

CBA/VLA Cooperative Program

Funding Agency : CIDA Partnership Branch
Executing Agency : Canadian Bar Association

Vietnam-Australia Training Project

Funding Agency : AusAID
Executing Agency : Ministry of Justice

National Construction Law Project

Funding Agency : AusAID
Executing Agency : Ministry of Construction

REGIONAL

**SECURED TRANSACTIONS LAW REFORM
(TA No. 5773-REG)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$380,000

Project Description: The TA will provide for a study of collateral security legal reform based on the country studies of selected DMCs.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Pakistan, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion – June 2003)

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**DEVELOPMENT OF THE INTERNET FOR ASIAN LAW
(DIAL II) (TA No. 5820-REG)**

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description: Implementation of the recommendations of the feasibility study completed under the technical assistance earlier funded by ADB for the creation of an electronic resource center to provide DMC officials involved in the law reform process with access to (i) Internet sites housing full-text legislative and regulatory materials from DMCs and best practice jurisdictions in areas of greatest interest to DMCs; and (ii) a panel of experts who will provide guidance (to designated authorized users) on international experience with such laws and regulations.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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PACIFIC JUDICIAL TRAINING (TA No. 5895-REG)

Funding Agencies : ADB/AusAID/DFID/NZODA/UNDP

Executing Agency : Institute of Justice and Applied Legal Studies
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Amount : US\$350,000 (ADB)
US\$252,000 (AusAID)
US\$194,000 (DFID)
US\$189,000 (NZODA)
US\$150,000 (UNDP)

Project Description: Establishment of an ongoing and comprehensive process of education, training and professional development for judicial service personnel in 15 Pacific countries.

Countries Covered: Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2003)

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LEGAL LITERACY FOR SUPPORTING GOVERNANCE (TA No. 5856-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: Study of best practices for the delivery of legal literacy programs in selected DMCs to identify strategies of incorporating such practices in ADB-funded projects to enhance good governance by educating citizens about important legal rights and how to access legal institutions for enforcement of such rights.

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

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ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OF GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICES (TA No. 5876-REG)

Funding Agencies : ADB/Government of Japan/Government of Netherlands

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$400,000 (ADB)
US\$225,000 (Government of Japan)
US\$37,000 (Government of Netherlands)

Project Description: The objective of the Project is to maximize efficiency and quality in the delivery of legal services to governments (India, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, and Thailand) and thereby reduce costs of economic transactions, promote predictability in transactions with government and improve functioning of government in areas where legal inputs are critical.

Countries Covered: India, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, People's Republic of China, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

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PROMOTING REGIONAL COOPERATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF INSOLVENCY LAW REFORMS (T.A. No. 5975-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$1,500,000

Project Description: The objectives are to (i) facilitate the development of sound insolvency frameworks for the handling of cross-border insolvencies; (ii) facilitate regional cooperation especially the exchange of ideas and experiences between courts and other competent authorities involved in the handling of cross-border insolvency cases, and formal and informal workouts and restructurings; (iii) review on a comparative basis informal insolvency frameworks to further develop the informal process; and (iv) develop case studies and model frameworks to illustrate how an integrated approach to secured transactions and insolvency law reform can be implemented.

Countries Covered: Indonesia, Korea, Philippines, Thailand

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - March 2004)

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PROMOTING ACCESS TO JUSTICE BY THE POOR

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$425,000

Project Description: The scope will consist of: (i) undertaking a comparative review of key legal system-related barriers and constraints, both substantive and systemic, that exacerbate or perpetuate urban and rural poverty (in terms of impact on livelihood, etc.), including maladministration of governmental services to the extent such practices impact on the poor; (ii) determining the extent to which such key barriers and constraints reflect inadequacies in national laws and regulations and/or inadequate implementation of national laws and regulations (including, as applicable, relevant international treaties and conventions); (iii) reviewing and assessing the impact of (a) selected formal and informal mechanisms for participation by the poor in articulation and realization of legal rights and social benefits, and (b) contributions by NGOs, CBOs and other elements of civil society in improving the ability of the poor to identify, protect and enforce their legal rights; (iv) developing an overall regional and, as applicable, subregional strategic framework, based on participating RETA country studies, to (a) mainstream RETA findings into ADB operations, including identification of legally-based interventions by ADB (and other donor organizations), and (b) recommend ways in which to promote sustainable pro-poor legal-related reforms in participatory DMCs.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

Project Status : Proposal

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CAPACITY BUILDING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW TRAINING IN THE ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5658-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : International Union for Conservation of Nature - Environmental Law Centre
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Amount : US\$600,000

Project Description: The World Conservation Union (IUCN), in partnership with the Faculty of Law of the National University of Singapore (NUS), proposes an advanced program to build the capacity of legal educators throughout the Asia and Pacific region to train lawyers and law students in environmental law. The scope of the TA includes (i) organizing and preparing the curriculum of the training course; (ii) preparing the teaching materials for this course; (iii) running two annual training courses of six weeks each at NUS for a total of about fifty legal educators from the region; and (iv) publishing at the end of two years the teaching materials as they evolve during the period.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM IN THE ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5829-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description: Assistance in (i) the development of analytic framework for a major study of accountability institutions in the Asian and Pacific region; (ii) the preparation of case studies on anticorruption organizations and procedures for transparency and administrative review; and (iii) the development and operationalization of whistleblower protection as a complementary avenue of advancing Government efforts at anticorruption.

Countries Covered: India, Indonesia, Korea, Kyrgyz Republic, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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STUDY ON FOREST POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS (TA No. 5900-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : National Economic and Social Development Board (NESDB)

Amount : US\$1,000,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance will include (i) review of all provisions in the new constitution and in other legal documents (national and local) that pertain to decentralization, devolution of powers, and other related jurisprudence, including the state of implementation or the required codes and rules for implementation; (ii) identifying possible gaps in the legal mandate providing for decentralized functions of government, devolution of government services, and power sharing; and (iii) preparing recommendations for changes in structure of NESDB and different levels of government to respond to the needs of decentralization.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

NATIONAL RESETTLEMENT POLICY ENHANCEMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING (TA No. 5935-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$500,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in enhancing policy and legal frameworks, strengthening institutional arrangements to implement resettlement policies and laws, and building resettlement capacity.

Countries Covered: Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, People's Republic of China, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES/ ETHNIC MINORITY ISSUES AND POVERTY REDUCTION (TA No. 5953-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$400,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of policies, laws, guidelines, and directives at the national level, identifying any areas or sectors that can address the needs of indigenous peoples/ethnic

minorities in poverty reduction, and indigenous peoples/ethnic minority policy; and provide copies of such policy, law, guideline, and directive.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, Indonesia, Philippines, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - October 2002)

IDENTIFYING DISABILITY ISSUES RELATED TO POVERTY REDUCTION (TA No. 5956-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB

Executing Agency : ADB

Amount : US\$300,000

Project Description (legal component): Review of policies, laws, guidelines, and directives at the national level, identifying any areas or sectors that can address the needs of disabled people in the poverty reduction program; and provide copies of such policies, laws, guidelines, and directives.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, India, Philippines

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - November 2002)

COUNTERING MONEY LAUNDERING IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION (TA No. 5967-REG)

Funding Agency : ADB (from Japan Special Fund)

Executing Agency : Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering Secretariat

Amount : US\$650,000

Project Description: The objectives are to facilitate the adoption and implementation of anti-money laundering measures based on internationally accepted standards in the selected DMCs, and to accelerate regional cooperation and collaboration in the fight against money laundering.

Countries Covered: Cook Islands, Fiji, Indonesia, Nauru, Philippines, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Samoa, Thailand, Vanuatu

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion - December 2002)

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JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE (T.A. No. 5987-REG)**Funding Agencies :** ADB, Government of The Netherlands**Executing Agency :** ADB**Amount :** US\$275,000

Project Description: Assistance to improve judicial independence in countries belonging to the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). This will include (i) conducting research on the current state of judicial independence and challenges in these countries, and (ii) based on the research, hold two regional workshops and a conference to gather senior members of the judiciary and senior legal policymakers to enhance frank and informative dialogue outside the confines of a single country context, and a fostering and cementing of subregional cooperation amongst similarly situated countries.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Pakistan
Philippines, Singapore, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– September 2003)

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❖E-LEGAL CHALLENGES IN ASIA: CYBER LAW TRAINING SEMINAR**Funding Agency :** ADB**Executing Agency :** ADB**Amount :** US\$100,000

Project Description: The objective of the TA is to introduce selected policymakers from DMCs within the ASEAN region that are least developed in terms of 'e-readiness' to (a) the major current policy, legal and regulatory reform issues in e-commerce and cyberlaw; and (b) best practices in addressing such issues.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam

Project Status : Proposal

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❖GREATER MEKONG SUBREGION TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTOR POLICY FORMULATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING (T.A. No. 6004-REG)**Funding Agency :** ADB (from Japan Special Fund)**Executing Agency :** ADB**Amount :** US\$700,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance include development of comprehensive telecommunications sector legislative guidelines for the TA countries to formulate principal legislation for implementing telecommunications sector policy.

Countries Covered: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Viet Nam

Project Status : In progress (Expected completion– March 2003)

MEKONG REGION LAW CENTER

Funding Agencies : The Asia Foundation; AusAID; Japan Foundation; DANIDA; Thailand Development Cooperation Foundation; Royal Thai Government; private sector corporations

Project Description: The Mekong Region Law Center (MRLC) is a non-profit association of the legal communities of Cambodia, Laos, Thailand and Viet Nam established in 1994 to promote the rule of law, encourage sustainable economic and social development, facilitate the process of legal development within the countries of the region, encourage complementarity of legal systems and create a regional approach to problem solving. Current projects include: Commercial Law Initiative; Environmental Law Initiative; Due Process Project; Illegal Labor Migrations Project; Legal Internships; Legal English Training; and Legal Information Exchange.

Project Status : In progress

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING COURSE ON CIVIL AND COMMERCIAL LAW**Funding Agency :** JICA

Executing Agency : Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice

Project Description: To assist developing countries in establishing the basic infrastructure in the fields of civil and commercial laws, and anti-corruption laws. On each theme, a one-and-a-half month seminar on the Japanese legal system for government officials and lawyers responsible for lawmaking and implementing in these fields in Asia and other regions is held annually.

Project Status : In progress

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CORRUPTION CONTROL IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE COURSE

Funding Agency : JICA

Executing Agency : Research and Training Institute of the
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Project Description (legal component): Assistance to developing countries (Cambodia, China, Lao, Tajikistan) in training lawmakers through participation in a two-month seminar on the Japanese system of removing and combatting corruption from the viewpoint of comparative law.

Project Status : In progress (Project will end in 2002.)

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Amount : US\$1,553,000

Project Description (legal component): Assistance in strengthening the judicial and prosecutorial capacity of Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam to administer national drug control legislation and support subregional cooperation. This also includes in-country legal training for drug control by national institutions to meet the specific needs of each of the countries and the establishment of a mechanism for developing and implementing Mutual Legal Assistance Agreements and other initiatives to facilitate subregional cooperation.

STRENGTHENING OF JUDICIAL AND PROSECUTORIAL DRUG CONTROL CAPACITY IN EAST ASIA (RAS/97/C74)

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**ENHANCEMENT OF DRUG LAW ENFORCEMENT
TRAINING IN EAST ASIA (RAS/97/C51)**

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Amount : US\$1,570,000

Project Description: The objective of the project is to provide a computer-based, interactive multimedia drug law enforcement training program for customs, police and specialist drug law enforcement officers in Cambodia, China, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam. Training will be in the language of each of the six countries and will incorporate their respective cultural, legal and procedural requirements.

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**DEVELOPMENT OF CROSS-BORDER LAW
ENFORCEMENT COOPERATION IN EAST ASIA
(RAS/99/D91)**

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Amount : US\$1,819,100

Project Description: The project will progressively develop and expand in order of priorities the operational effectiveness of law enforcement agencies across and along the borders of countries which are party to the Memorandum of Understanding and the Subregional Action Plan on Drug Control. The project will be implemented in two phases with the China-Laos, China-Myanmar and China-Vietnam borders to be covered by the first phase. The second phase will address identified needs at the Cambodia-Thailand, Cambodia-Vietnam, Laos-Thailand, Laos-Vietnam, Myanmar-Laos, and Myanmar-Thailand borders. Activities will mainly entail building national and bilateral cooperation and enabling cross border personnel to work as a team. The key components will be workshops and specialized on-the-job training to develop skills and knowledge of drug control, initiatives to engender trust and confidence, and structures which favor close liaison. Enforcement activities conducive to practical and daily collaboration will be identified and encouraged.

Project Status : In progress (1999-2003)

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PRECURSOR CONTROL IN EAST ASIA (RAS/00/F34)

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Amount : US\$1,793,700

Project Description: The project is aimed at curtailing the rampant diversion and trafficking of precursors in East Asia as the means to reduce manufacture of heroin and ATS in the region. It intends to achieve that goal by continuing to strengthen precursor control in Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam, where diversion and trafficking of precursors is most serious, improve control of licit trade in precursors in Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines to prevent further development of ATS manufacture in these countries, and to enhance regional cooperation between countries in East Asia to address the regional problem.

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SPECIAL TRAINING COURSE ON DISPUTE SETTLEMENT PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES

Executing Agency : World Trade Organization

Project Description: Each year the WTO holds dispute settlement courses in Geneva in which participants are provided training concerning the implementation of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes. The training includes discussions of theoretical cases and participation in simulation exercises. Annually about 10/15 officials from the Asia-Pacific region countries participate in this training course.

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❖REGIONAL AND NATIONAL SEMINARS ON DISPUTE SETTLEMENT AND DSU NEGOTIATIONS

Executing Agency : World Trade Organization

Project Description: The WTO Technical Cooperation Division organizes regional and national seminars on dispute settlement and DSU negotiations in all regions, including the Asia-Pacific region.

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

Insolvency Law Reform

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB

Development of an International Fisheries Agreement for the Conservation and Management of the Tuna Resources in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : Fisheries Forum Agency

Legal Training of Government Officials in Private Infrastructure Development

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB

Regional Power Transmission Modernization Project in the Central Asian Republics

Funding Agency : ADB
Executing Agency : ADB

Trade and Investment Access Facility Funds

Funding Agency : Member Governments of the Commonwealth
Executing Agency : The Commonwealth Secretariat

The South East Asia Fund for Institutional and Legal Development

Funding Agency : CIDA
Executing Agency : CIDA

Development of Drug Control Operational Procedures of Law Enforcement Agencies in East Asia (RAS/97/B65)

Funding Agency : Japan, U.S.A.
Executing Agencies : The National Authority for Combatting Drugs
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National Narcotics Control Commission
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Lao National Commission for Drug Control
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Central Committee for Drug Abuse Control
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Narcotics Control Board, Thailand

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Enhancement of Capacity to Gather and Exchange Information by Law Enforcement Agencies (RAS/97/C46)

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